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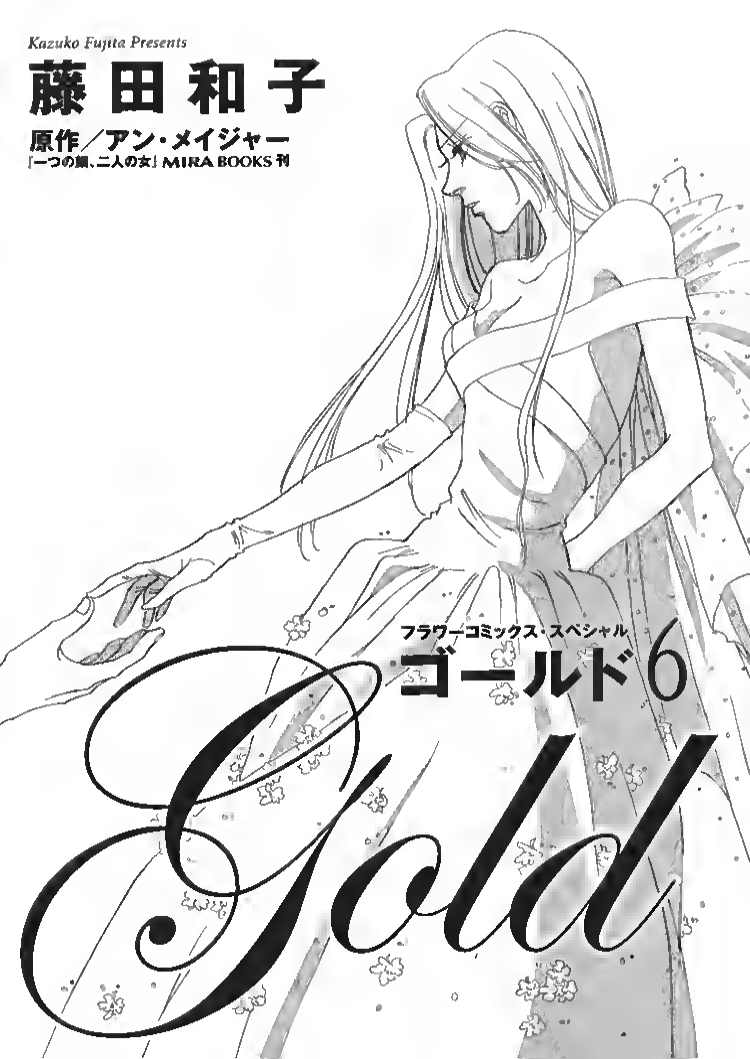

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ゴールド⑤人物紹介

マーズ・ウェスト

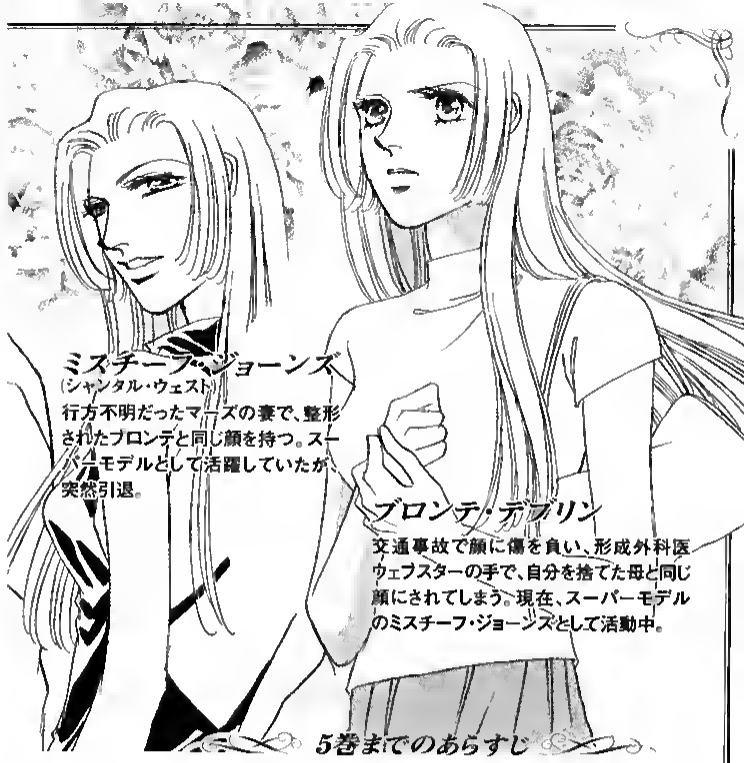
名門ホテル、ザ・ウェストのオーナー代理であり、オーナーの娘シャンタルの夫。

ガース・ブラウン

マーズの異母兄弟でハリウッドの映画スター。マーズを憎悪し、その恋人であるブロンテに興味を持つ。

クレイ・リー

ミスチーフのチーフ・マネージャーだったが、彼女が引退後、ミスチーフとして活動するブロンテのマネージャーに。



ミスチーフ・ジョーンズ
（シャンタル・ウェスト）

行方不明だったマーズの妻で、整形されたブロンテと同じ顔を持つ。スーパーモデルとして活躍していたが、突然引退。

ブロンテ・デブリン

交通事故で顔に傷を負い、形成外科医ウェブスターの手で、自分を捨てた母と同じ顔にされてしまう。現在、スーパーモデルのミスチーフ・ジョーンズとして活動中。

5巻までのあらすじ

結婚式当日、花婿に逃げられたブロンテは、マーズに出会う。心を通わせるも、彼は殺人容疑で逮捕される。

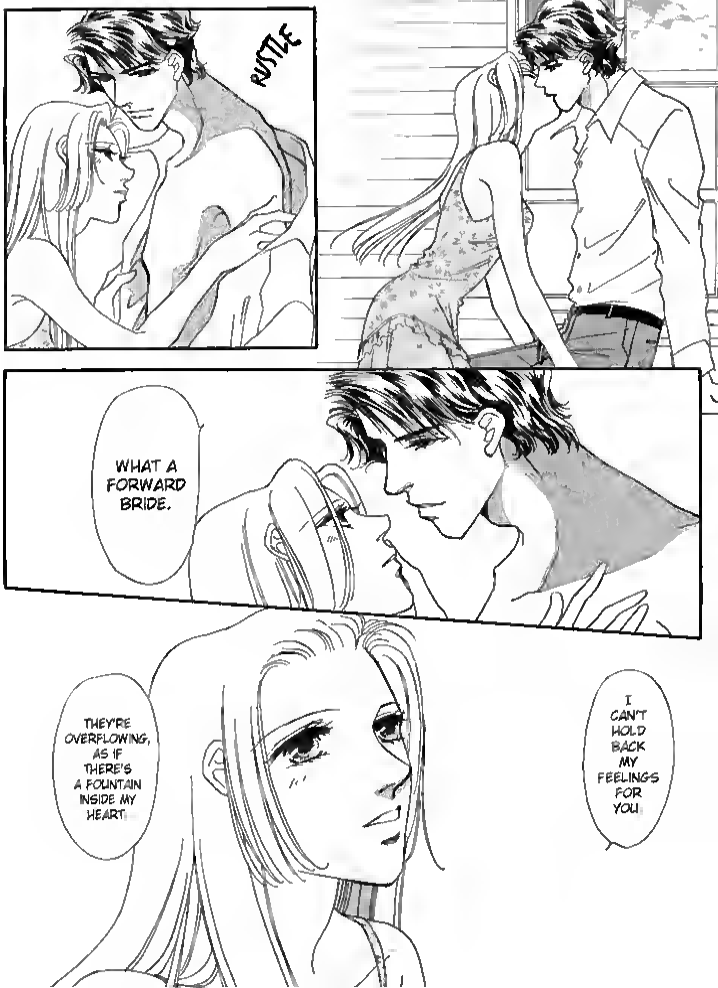
事件から5年、疑いの晴れたマーズとブロンテは再会する。しかし直後に起きた交通事故をきっかけに、ブロンテは彼女の実母を偏愛する形成外科医によって、実母と同じ顔に整形されてしまう。

はじめは、ブロンテを、同じ顔に整形された妻ミスチーフだと思い込んだマーズだったが、次第に彼女を愛するようになる。

一方、ミスチーフは再びマーズに興味を持ち、所有するホテルと妻の座を盾に取って、彼を縛り付ける。そんな折、マーズが倒れる。ブロンテは彼を救うため、彼を憎悪する異母兄・ガースと結婚することに…。その事実を胸に秘めたまま、ブロンテはマーズと最後の愛を交わす——。

THE ENGAGEMENT RING I COULDN'T ACCEPT FROM HIM...
CAN I WEAR IT, JUST FOR NOW...?
A MARRIAGE JUST FOR TONIGHT...

IT'S SO BEAUTI-FUL...
WAIT,
LET ME...
MY!
YOU'RE MUCH MORE BEAUTIFUL.


RUSTLE
WHAT A FORWARD BRIDE.
I CAN'T HOLD BACK MY FEELINGS FOR YOU!
THEY'RE OVERFLOWING, AS IF THERE'S A FOUNTAIN INSIDE MY HEART!

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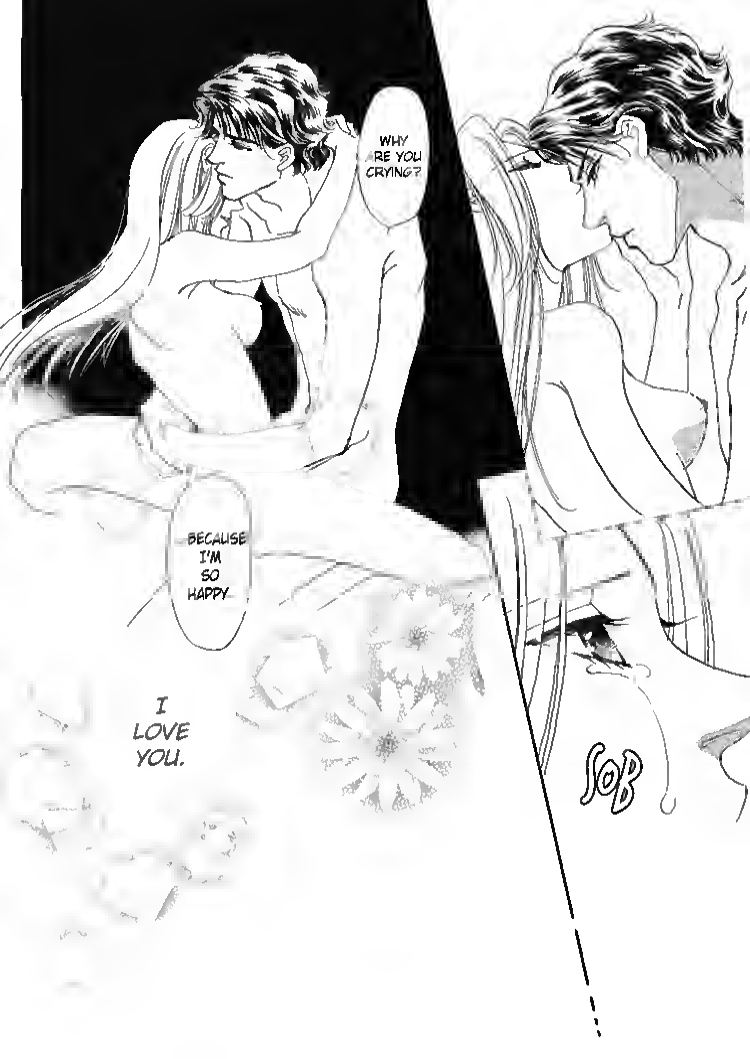
BRONTE—
—CAN YOU FEEL THE EXTENT OF MY LOVE FOR YOU?
DO THESE FEELINGS REACH YOU?
CAN YOU FEEL IT?

PULL
IN MY HEART,
THERE IS ALSO A FOUNTAIN OF LOVE.
SHOW ME...
HOW DEEP THAT FOUNTAIN IS...

MARS...!

AH...
MARS' EYES...

THEY'RE REFLECTING THE SUN'S RAYS AND THEY'RE SPARKLING GOLD
THEY'RE SO BEAUTIFUL....
WHAT IS?
YOUR EYES,
THEY'RE MUCH MORE BEAUTIFUL THAN A DIAMOND RING, OR ANY JEWEL THAT CAN BE FOUND ON THIS EARTH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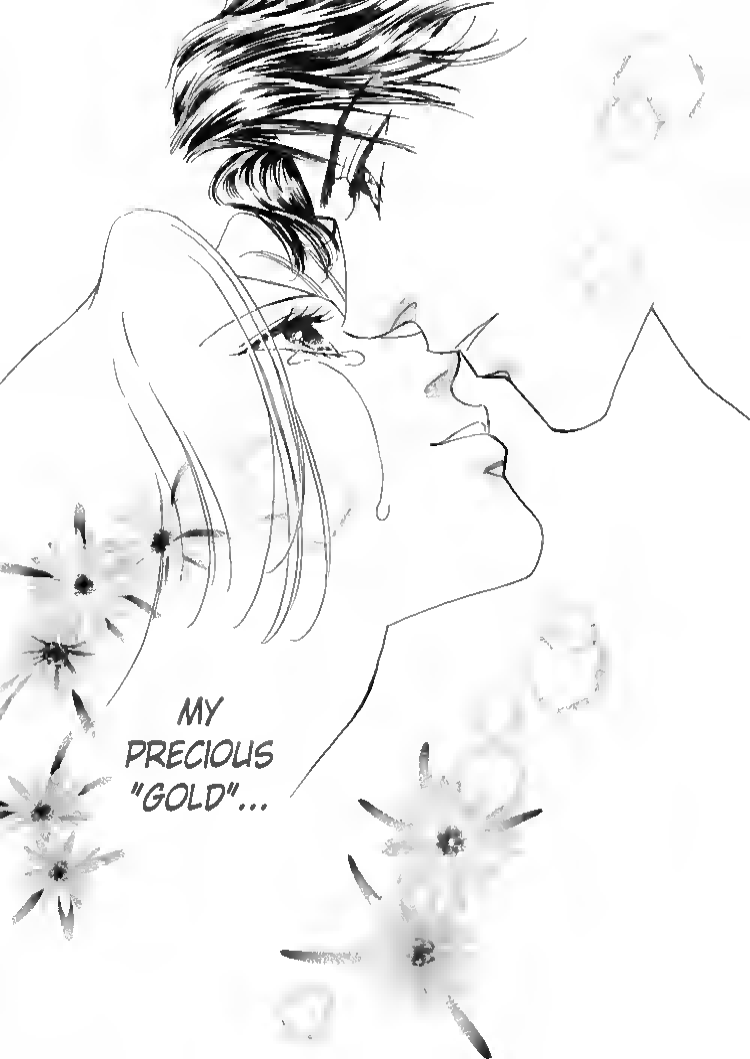
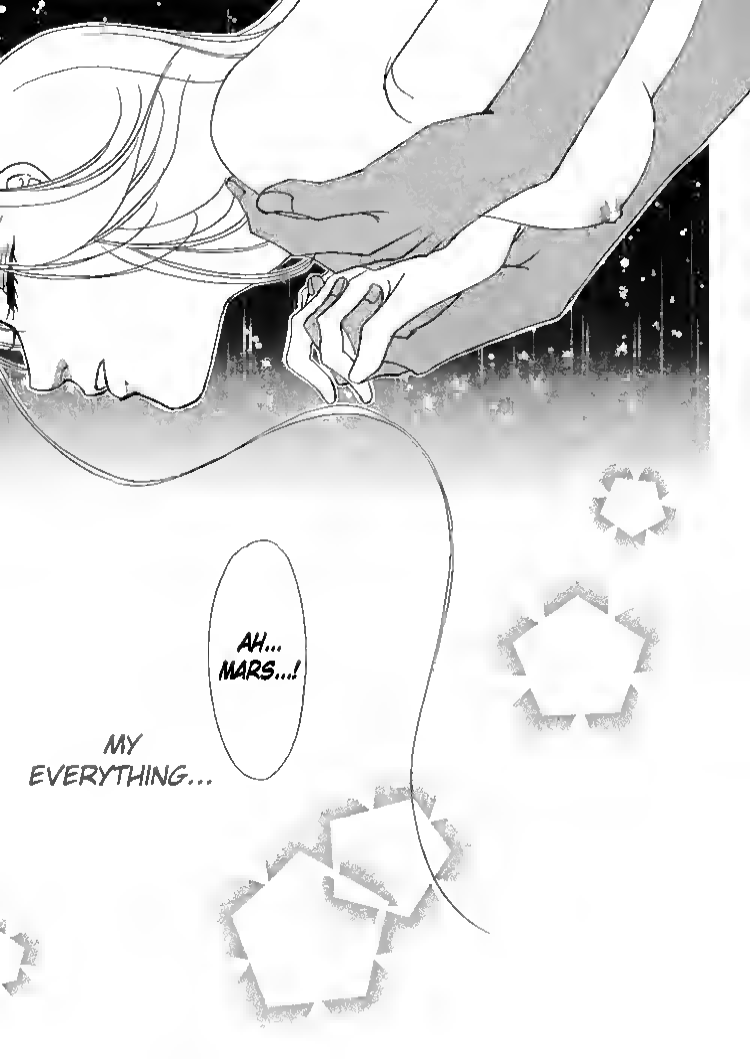
BECAUSE I'M SO HAPPY
I LOVE YOU.
SOB


MY
PRECIOUS
"GOLD"...

HOLD ME TIGHTER...
TRAP THIS HAPPINESS WITHIN ME....
HARDER...


AH... MARS...!
MY EVERYTHING...

I'LL
LEAVE IT
ALL ALONG
WITH THIS
RING...

THERE WAS SOMETHING A BIT AMISS ABOUT HER...
THAT DAY—
CLICK
CLICK
SHE WAS ACTING AS IF IT'D BE OUR LAST DAY TOGETHER...

SORRY TO BOTHER YOU,
BUT I'VE GATHERED INFORMATION REGARDING THE ISSUE YOU REQUESTED!
SHE'S NOT PICKING UP. IT'S BEEN LIKE THIS FOR 2-3 DAYS
RING
RING
WE'RE CURRENTLY INVESTIGATING WHO THAT PERSON IS
IT SEEMS THAT THE REASON WHY THE INVESTORS DIDN'T BACK OUT WAS BECAUSE THERE WAS A GUARANTOR.
A GUARANTOR ...?

MARS
WELL, I'M GLAD YOU'RE LOOKING BETTER.
THANK YOU.
AS INVESTORS, WE'RE QUITE RELIEVED AS WELL.

IF YOU'RE TRYING TO FIND OUT WHO IT WAS THAT ACTED AS YOUR GUARANTOR, YOU'D BE BETTER OFF NOT TRACKING HIM DOWN
IT SEEMS A PERSON WAS KIND ENOUGH TO HELP ME OUT...
BUT STILL...
CATTER
HE'S A SHY ONE, AND HE MADE IT CLEAR HE DOESN'T WANT HIS NAME BROUGHT FORTH.
PAT
LET'S JUST PUT IT THIS WAY. TREASURE YOUR RELATIVES

"RELATIVES...?
STAR MAG
SCOOP!
SOMEONE WHO'S RELATED TO ME ACTED AS MY GUARANTOR...?
BUT THERE ISN'T ANYONE WHO WOULD BE.

BLINKS
—THERE IS ONLY JUST ONE...
THIS ISN'T JUST SOME CHUMP CHANGE,
WHO WOULD BE ABLE TO AFFORD A COSTLY THING LIKE THIS—?
GUS BROWN!
MY HALF-BROTHER—
BUT THERE'S NO WAY HE'D HELP ME OUT. HE HATES ME.
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OR MAYBE IT'S FOR THAT VERY REASON THAT HE—
WHIRR
WHIRR
I HEARD A FAMOUS COUPLE IS GETTING MARRIED TODAY
I'M SURE THOSE HELICOPTERS ARE THERE TO CAPTURE THE MOMENT
OH
WHAT A CROWD

GUS...
HE HATES ME...
AND BRONTE WASN'T ACTING LIKE HER USUAL SELF...
BRONTE—
swish
swish
—DON'T TELL ME..
CLICK

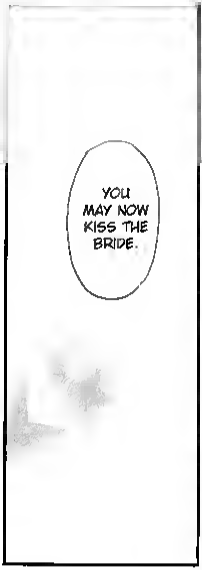
— There were rumours that a big star will be getting married today.
and we have just received word about the identity of that star
His name is Gus! Gus Brown!
GUS...
And his bride-to-be is Mischief Jones!

HEAD TO THIS CHURCH! AND HURRY!
I KNEW IT! A STAR COUPLE IF THERE EVER WAS ONE...
RUSTLE
THAT'LL BE IMPOSSIBLE, WHAT WITH THE CROWD...
WHOA
WA-...
MISCHIEF JONES...
IS IT BRONTE, OR IS IT MISCHIEF HERSELF?
THERE'S NO WAY IT COULD BE MISCHIEF, BECAUSE SHE'S STILL TECHNICALLY MARRIED TO ME!

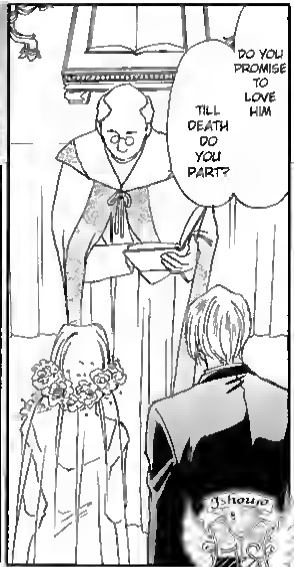
WHY?!
WHY ARE YOU DOING THIS?
BRONTE . !
YOU'RE GETTING MARRIED?!
BRONTE!

GUS!
GUS!
MISCHIEF
swish swish
swish
NOISE
NOISE

...IN SICKNESS
AND IN HEALTH ...


YOU MAY NOW KISS THE BRIDE.

...I DO.


DO YOU PROMISE TO LOVE HIM TILL DEATH DO YOU PART?

CROWD ROAR
WHEEZE
THEY'RE COMING OUT!
WHEEZE
CROWD ROAR

CROWD ROAR
GUS!
MISCHIEF!
LET ME THROUGH!
GUS!
CROWD ROAR
...
THIS IS AMAZING I CAN HARDLY HEAR MYSELF ABOVE THE NOISE.
CROWD ROAR
CROWD ROAR
GUS!
CROWD ROAR
GUS!
CROWD ROAR
GET OUT OF THE WAY!
BRONTE!
MISCHIEF!

"BRONTE!"
CROWD ROAR
CROWD ROAR
CROWD ROAR
CROWD ROAR
"BRONTE!"

MARS...!

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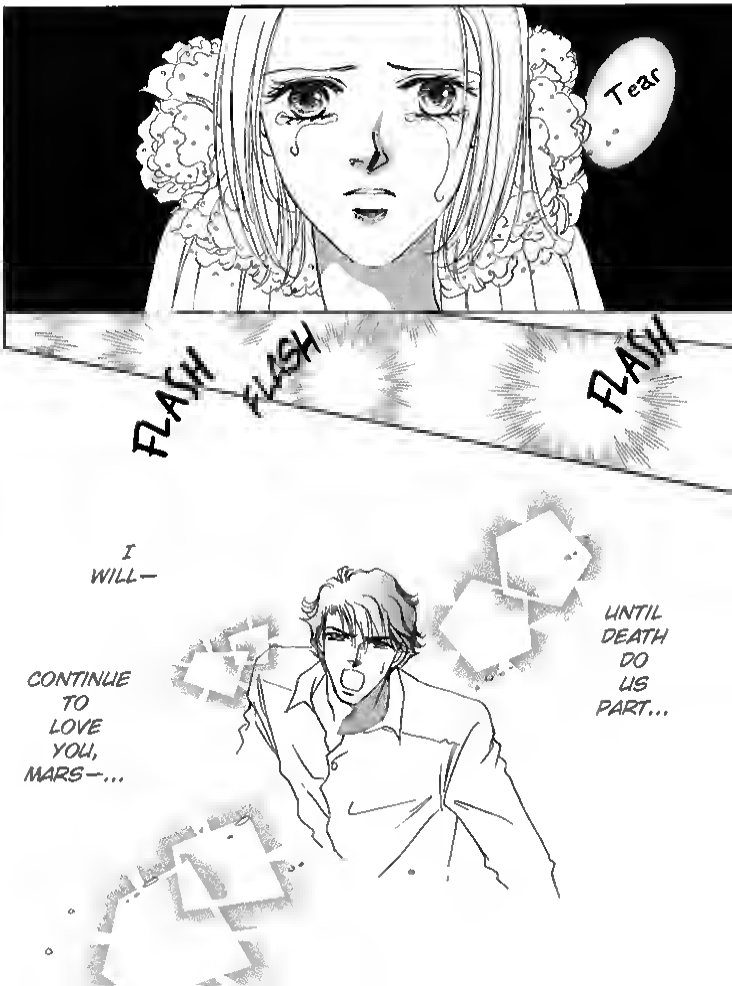
Tear
FLASH
FLASH
FLASH
I WILL—
CONTINUE TO LOVE YOU, MARS—...
UNTIL DEATH DO US PART...

MY MY...
TALK ABOUT DEPRESSING. WHY DO YOU HAVE THE LIGHTS TURNED OFF?
I CAME ALL THE WAY HERE BECAUSE I KNEW YOU'D BE DOWN
SEEING AS HOW IT WAS QUITE THE WEDDING CEREMONY AFTERALL
I HAVE A FEELING THAT PUBLIC CEREMONY WAS MEANT TO RUB INTO YOUR FACE.
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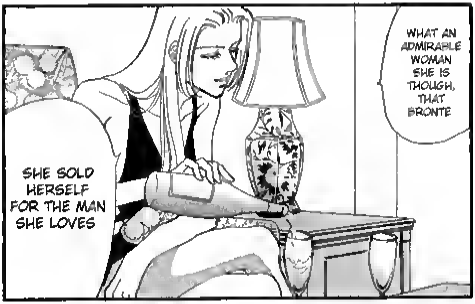

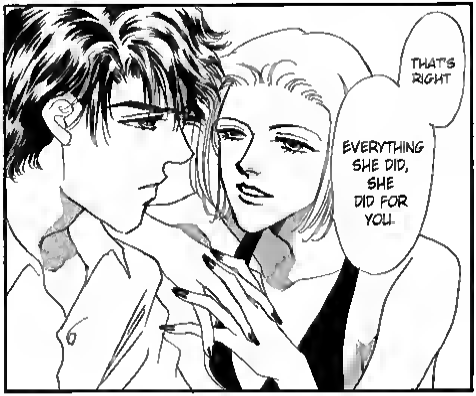

TONIGHT WILL BE THEIR WEDDING NIGHT.
SHE'LL OFFER HER BODY TO HIM FOR YOU.
SHE'LL BE KISSED,
AND CARESSED,
AND SHE'LL OPEN HER LEGS.
CLINK
CHEERS!
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WHAT DO YOU POSSIBLY HOPE TO ACCOMPLISH BY GOING TO HER NOW?
ARE YOU GOING TO TRY TO TELL HER THAT SHE'S M.KING A MIST.AKE?
YOU'RE THE VERY REASON
SHE MADE THAT FOOLISH DECISION!
HA HA HA HA HA HA!

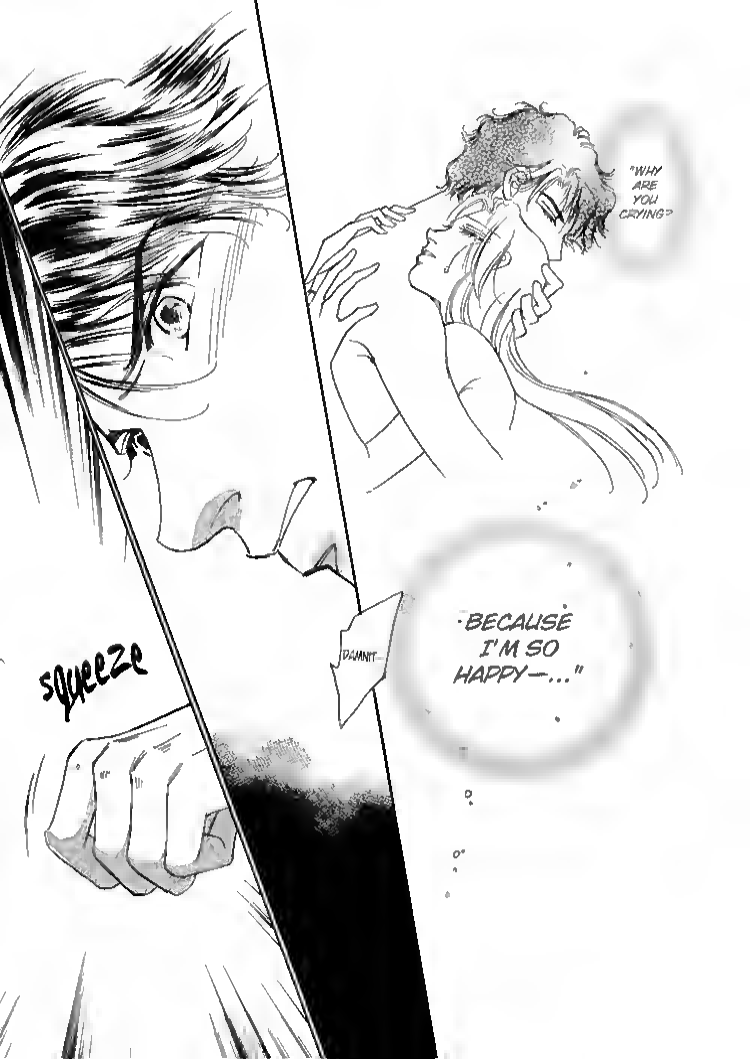
THAT WEDDING CAME OUT OF NO WHERE THOUGH!
noise
noise
noise
YEAH, TALK ABOUT A SURPRISE!
I'M SURE THEY'LL DIVORCE IN NO TIME-

rustle
RUSTLE
JT MARIED!
ROARRR
ROARRR
ROARRR

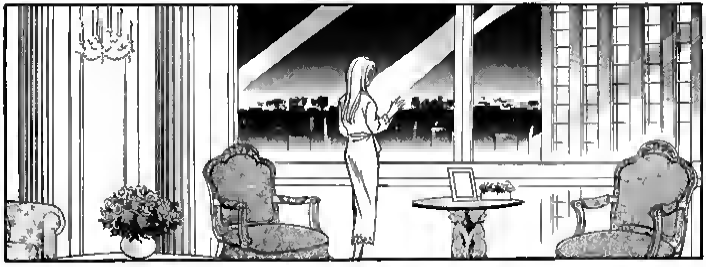
BRONTE...!
SCRAPE

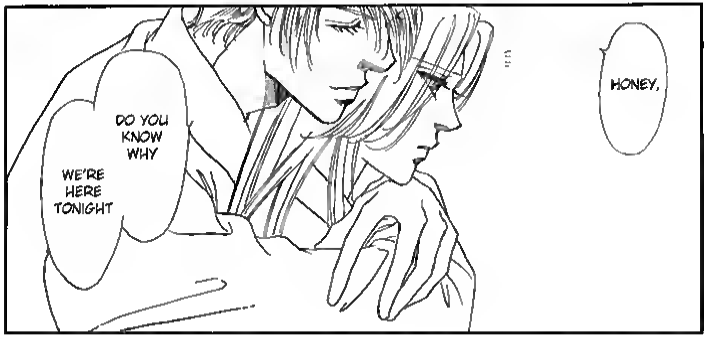
—THAT DAY..
COULD I EVEN REALLY SAY THAT THERE WASN'T A NEED TO TAKE SUCH A DRASTIC MEASURE TO SAVE THE HOTEL?
IT ISN'T SOMETHING THAT CAN BE SETTLED BY SIMPLY SAYING "I DIDN'T KNOW."
IT'S AS MISCHIEF SAID.
I WAS THE ONE WHO PUT HER IN SUCH A SITUATION THAT SHE THOUGHT SHE HAD NO OTHER CHOICE

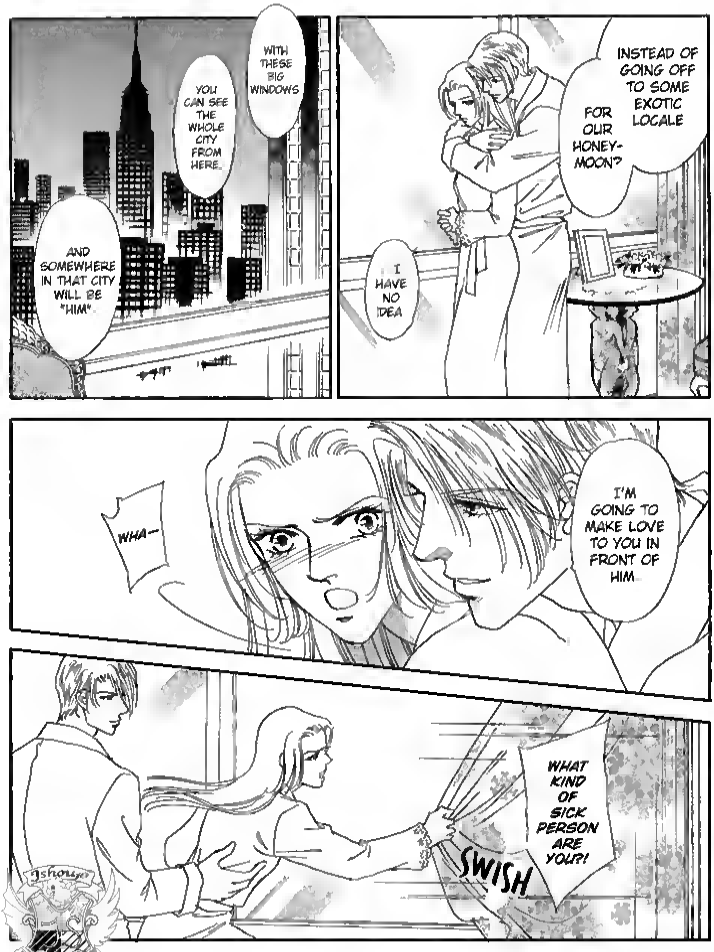
WHAT THOUGHTS WERE RUNNING THROUGH HER MIND WHILE WE MADE LOVE?
"CAN I PUT IT ON? JUST FOR NOW.."


"WHY ARE YOU CRYING?"
squeeze
DAMNIT
"BECAUSE I'M SO HAPPY—..."

BRONTE—!

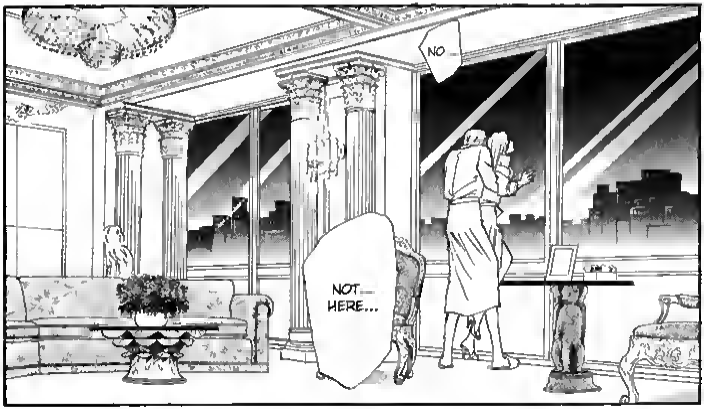



HONEY,
DO YOU KNOW WHY WE'RE HERE TONIGHT

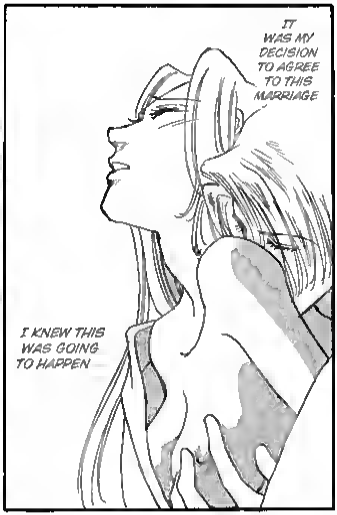

INSTEAD OF GOING OFF TO SOME EXOTIC LOCALE FOR OUR HONEY-MOON?
I HAVE NO IDEA
WITH THESE BIG WINDOWS
YOU CAN SEE THE WHOLE CITY FROM HERE.
AND SOMEWHERE IN THAT CITY WILL BE "HIM".
I'M GOING TO MAKE LOVE TO YOU IN FRONT OF HIM.
WHA—
WHAT KIND OF SICK PERSON ARE YOU?!
SWISH

glares
COME ON NOW, YOU CAN'T DO THAT.
grabs
...NO!!
SUCH A LOVELY DISPLAY OF ANGER
THE MORE YOU LOOK AT ME WITH SUCH AN EXPRESSION,
THE MORE I FEEL LIKE SHOUTING IN EXULTATION AT HAVING STOLEN YOU FROM HIM

Pulls
WHO SAID I NEEDED IT?
E-EVEN IF YOU TAKE MY BODY
YOU'LL NEVER BE ABLE TO TAKE HOLD OF MY HEART.
NOW, WHY DON'T WE GET THIS PARTY STARTED?


NO...
NOT... HERE...

AND YET...
FOR THIS TO HAPPEN HERE... WHERE I CAN SEE THE ENTIRE CITY—


IT WAS MY DECISION TO AGREE TO THIS MARRIAGE
I KNEW THIS WAS GOING TO HAPPEN...

AMONG THE COUNTLESS BRIGHT LIGHTS,
MARS IS OUT THERE SOME-WHERE.
MARS IS OUT THERE WATCHING US...
...NO!

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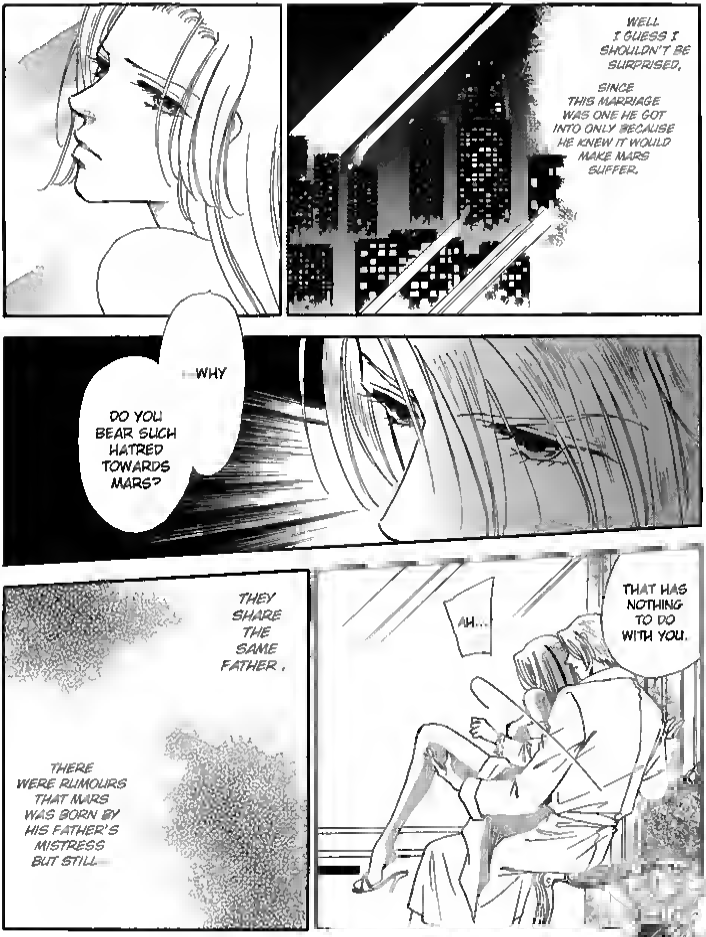
OH?
I GUESS I SHOULDN'T BE SURPRISED THAT YOU'RE NOT WEARING YOUR RING
WHO WOULD WANT TO WEAR SOMETHING LIKE THAT WHEN...
GUS...
HE'S NOT WEARING HIS RING EITHER


WELL I GUESS I SHOULDN'T BE SURPRISED,
SINCE THIS MARRIAGE WAS ONE HE GOT INTO ONLY BECAUSE HE KNEW IT WOULD MAKE MARS SUFFER.
WHY DO YOU BEAR SUCH HATRED TOWARDS MARS?
THEY SHARE THE SAME FATHER.
THERE WERE RUMOURS THAT MARS WAS BORN BY HIS FATHER'S MISTRESS BUT STILL
AH...
THAT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH YOU.

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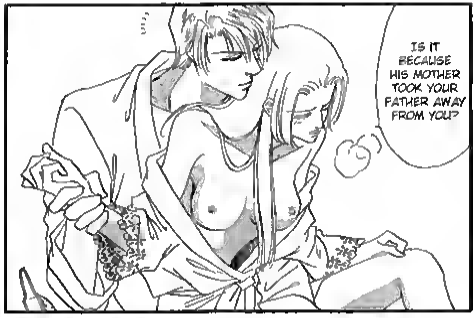
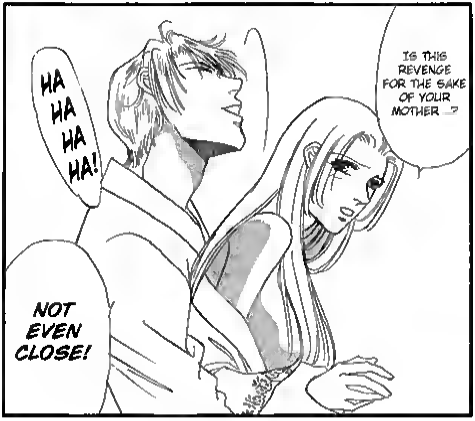
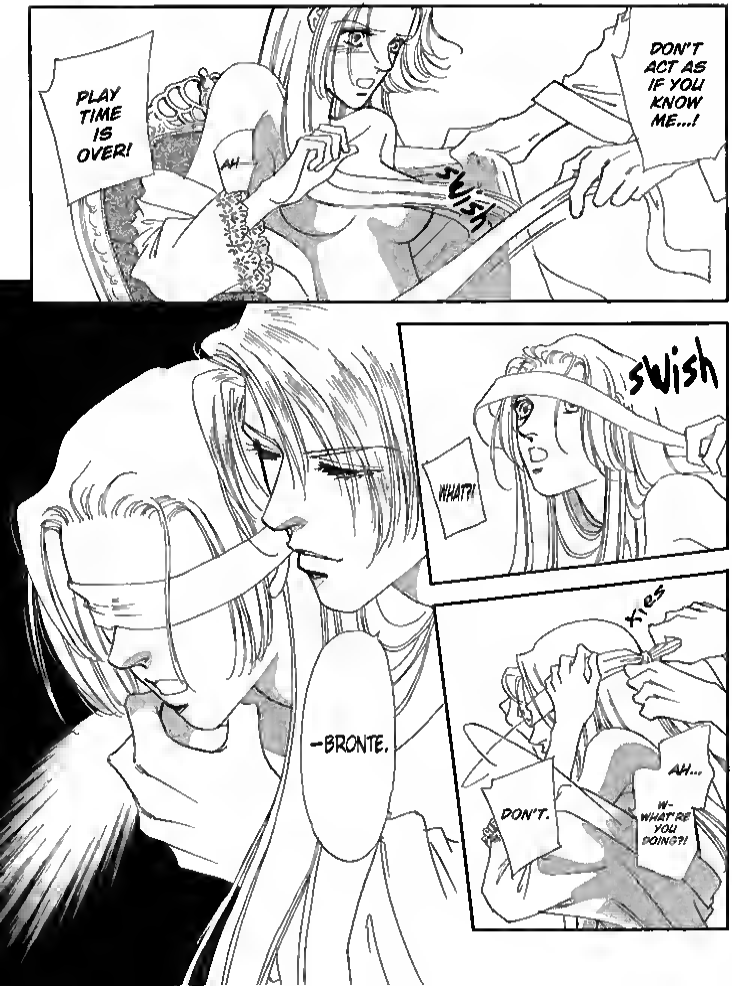




HIS MOTHER WAS A PROSTITUTE...
WHO'D TAKE SERIOUSLY A LIAISON WITH A WOMAN LIKE HER?
AND BESIDES, HE HAD PLENTY OF LOVERS...
THEN WHY?
IS THIS YOUR WAY OF TRYING TO GET OUT OF THE SITUATION YOU'RE IN RIGHT NOW?
Suns
...NNN...!

AH...
BUT THERE'S NO DENYING THAT HE HATES MARS...
HE EVEN WENT SO FAR AS TO SACRIFICE HIMSELF INTO A LOVELESS MARRIAGE,
AND MAKE LOVE TO A WOMAN HE CARES NOTHING FOR JUST SO THAT HE CAN—

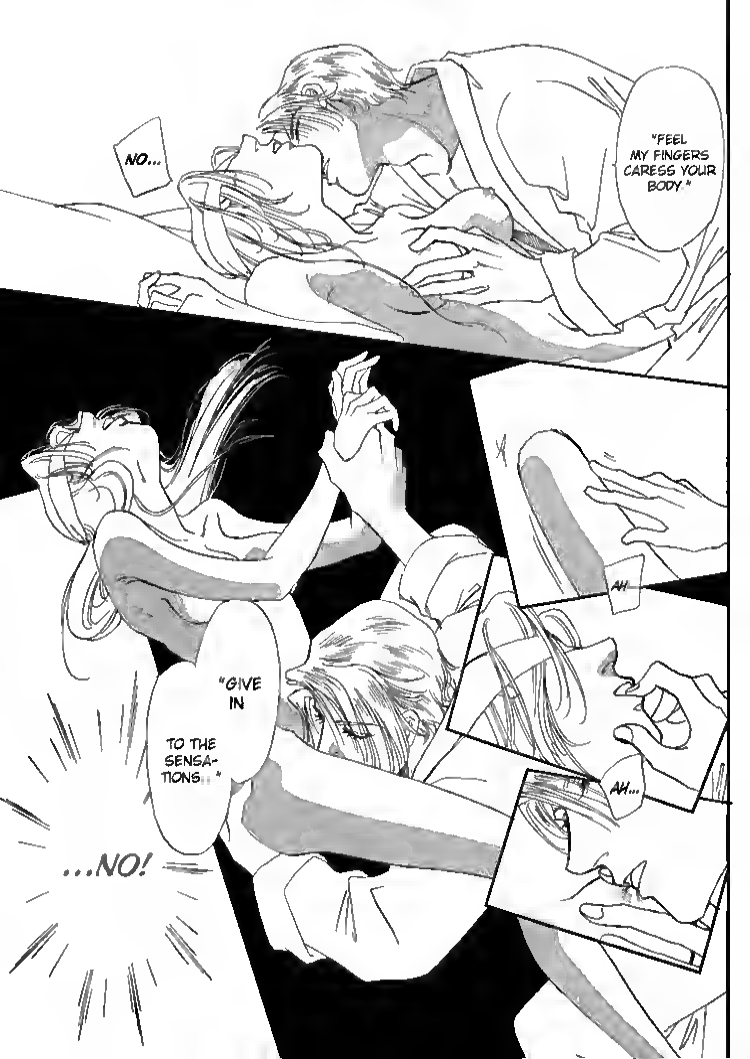
YOU MUST'VE SUFFERED SO MUCH, GUS.
thud
GUS..
WHAT DID YOU JUST SAY...?


PLAY TIME IS OVER!
AH
SWISH
DON'T ACT AS IF YOU KNOW ME...!
swish
WHAT?!
yes
AH...
DON'T.
W-WHAT'RE YOU DOING?!
—BRONTE.

HE HAS THE VERY SAME VOICE AS HIM!
MARS!
swish
KYA!
NO! GET THIS OFF ME!
DON'T... NOT LIKE THIS!

thud
"YOU MUST'VE SUFFERED SO MUCH,"
HUH?
SO I'M AN OBJECT OF YOUR PITY, AM I?
I'LL HAVE YOU KNOW, I HAVE NO NEED FOR IT.
I HAD NO IDEA YOU COULD BE SUCH AN ANNOYING LITTLE TWIT

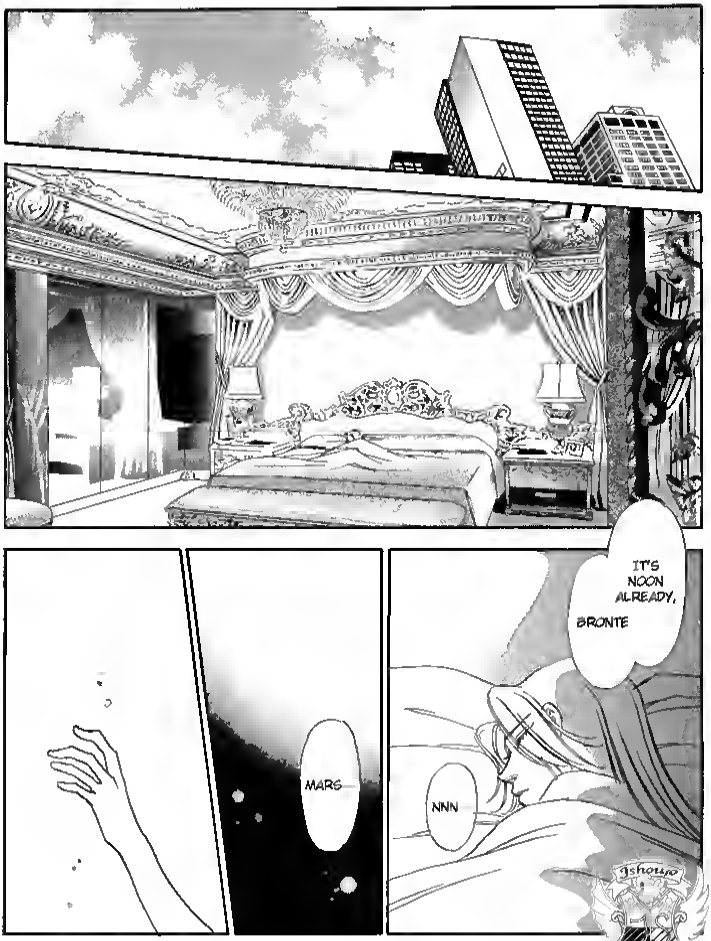
TENSE
"BRONTE, MY LOVE..."
AS FOR ME, I CAN BE KIND WHEN I WANT TO BE.
I'LL MAKE IT SO MY VOICE, AT THE VERY LEAST, REMINDS YOU OF HIM
RUSTLE
PLEASE... NO!
"I LOVE YOU."

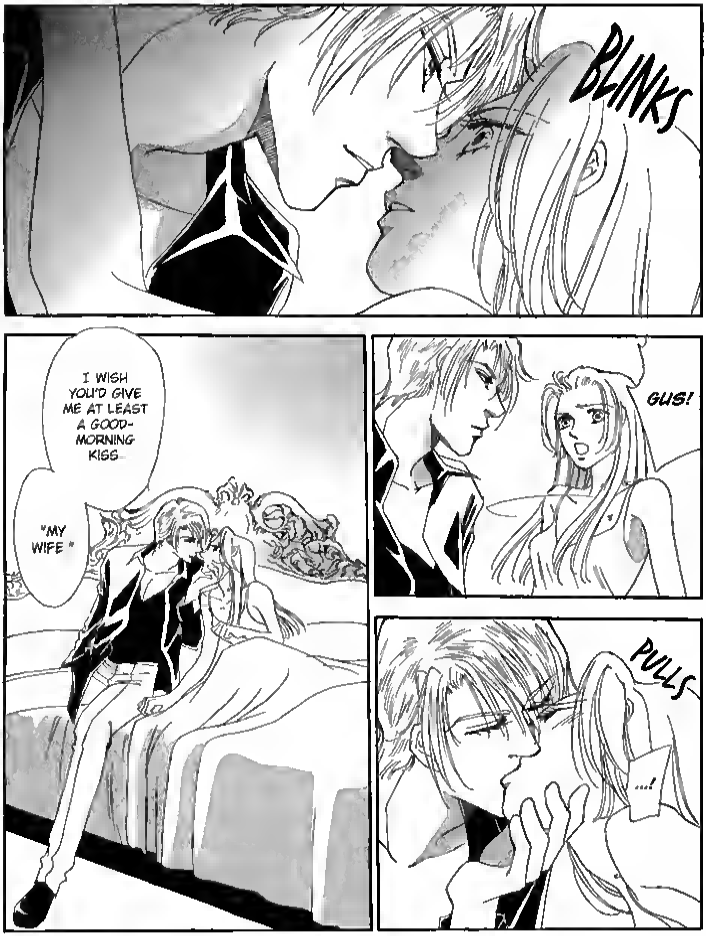

NO...
"FEEL MY FINGERS CARESS YOUR BODY."
AH
AH...
"GIVE IN TO THE SENSATIONS..."
...NO!

I DON'T FEEL ANYTHING!
I'M NOT GOING TO GIVE MY HEART OVER TO THE LIKES OF HIM...!
Squeeze
WHAT A WOMAN.

WHY DOESN'T SHE JUST STOP TORTURING HERSELF AND COME?
SHE'S NOT SHEDDING A TEAR,
AND SHE'S NOT EVEN PLEADING FOR ME TO STOP.
WHY GO TO SUCH LENGTHS FOR A MAN LIKE HIM?!
UGH...
THIS IS STARTING TO GET ON MY NERVES!

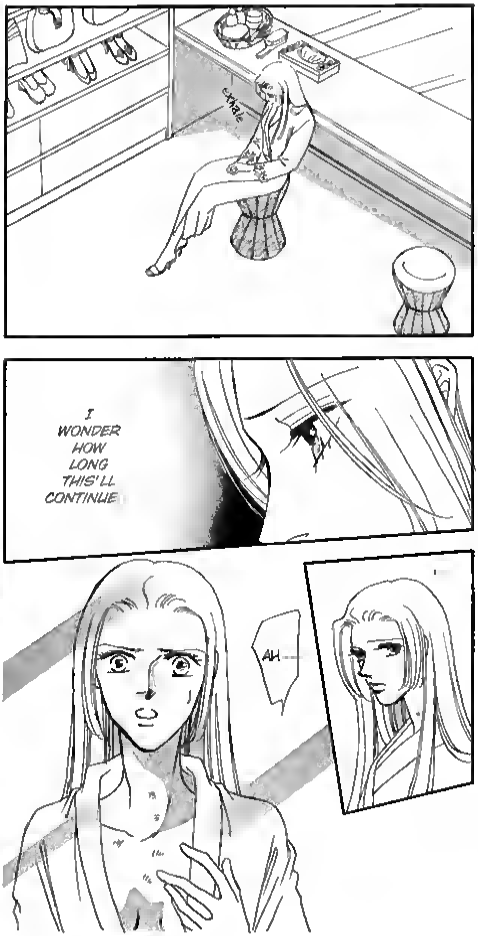
I'LL MAKE SURE I MAKE HER FALL DOWN FROM THAT HIGH HORSE OF HERS
...
I DIDN'T THINK SHE WAS THIS KIND OF WOMAN
AH...
AH...
I'LL MAKE SURE SHE'LL COME TO CLING TO ME
AND SCREAM MY NAME!
MARS...!


IT'S NOON ALREADY, BRONTE
NNN
MARS

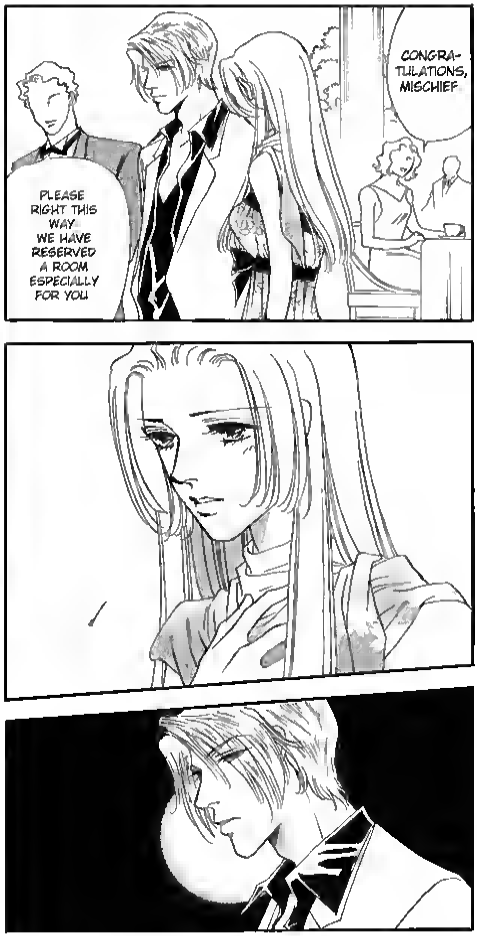

BLINKS
I WISH YOU'D GIVE ME AT LEAST A GOOD-MORNING KISS...
"MY WIFE"
GUS!
PULLS
...!

SLIDES
AH...
grabs
I'VE MADE PLANS FOR LUNCH
OF COURSE, THAT INCLUDES YOU AS WELL
WE SHOULD PRETEND LIKE WE'RE A LOVING COUPLE, AT LEAST IN FRONT OF OTHERS— DON'T YOU AGREE?
ON A SIDE NOTE YOU WERE QUITE THE WARRIOR LAST NIGHT
chuckles

NO MATTER HOW MANY TIMES I FUCKED HER,
NO MATTER HOW MANY TIMES I USED MY SKILLS TO TRY TO LOWER HER DEFENSES,
SHE NEVER GAVE IN.
WHAT A TOUGH ONE SHE IS. WELL, NO MATTER. I'D LIKE TO SEE HOW LONG SHE CAN KEEP THIS UP. NOT LONG, I BET.
HAHAHA
SHE NEVER—
ENDED UP GIVING IN TO ME.


CANDLE
I WONDER HOW LONG THIS'LL CONTINUE
AH...

CLICK
THESE ARE... REMINDERS OF LAST NIGHT...
WHAT AM I GOING TO DO?
ALL MY DRESSES DON'T COVER THE NECK...
OH.
CONGRATULATIONS, GUS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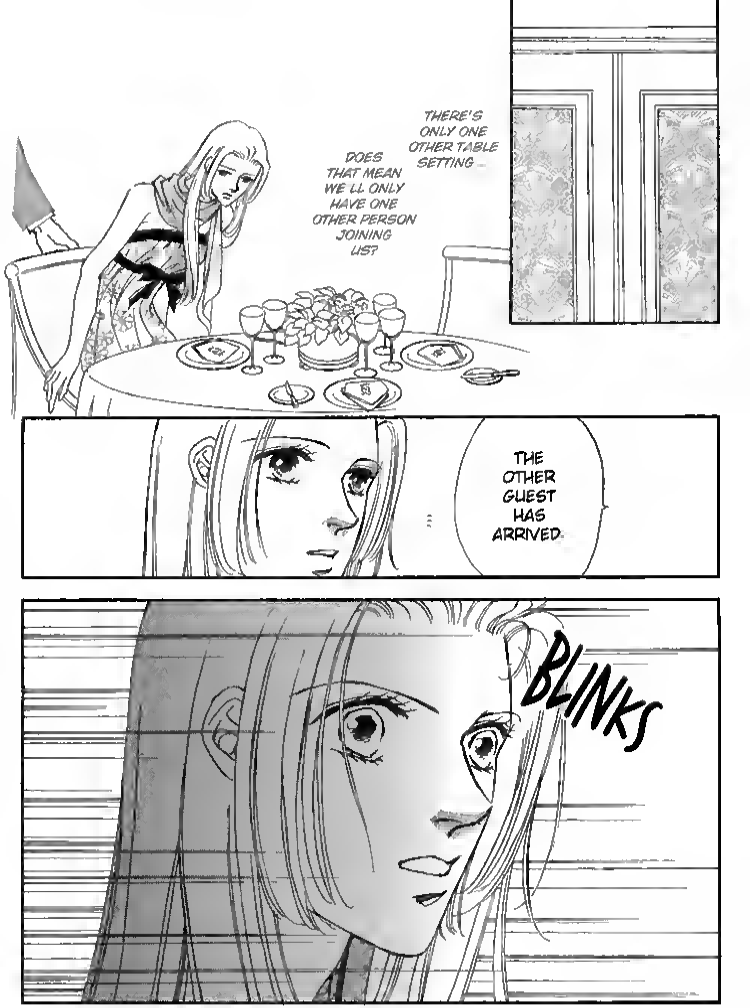
TULATIONS,
MISCHIEF.
PLEASE
RIGHT THIS
WAY.
WE HAVE
RESERVED
A ROOM
ESPECIALLY
FOR YOU.


THERE'S ONLY ONE OTHER TABLE SETTING...
DOES THAT MEAN WE'LL ONLY HAVE ONE OTHER PERSON JOINING US?
THE OTHER GUEST HAS ARRIVED.
BLINKS

MARS!
BRO...
NTE...
...

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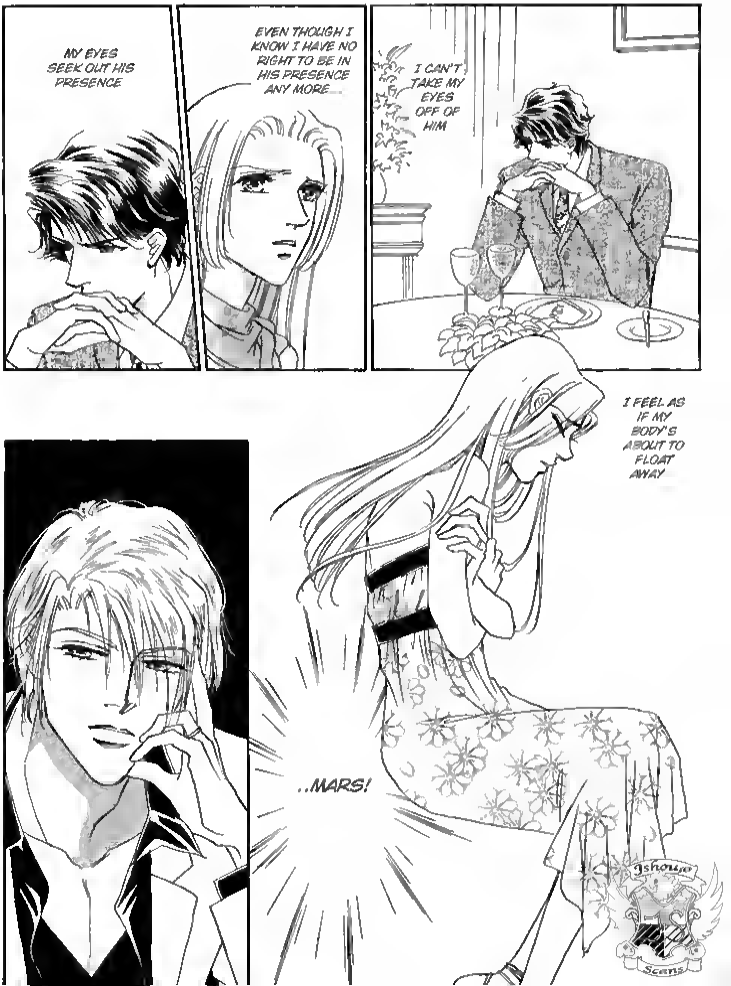
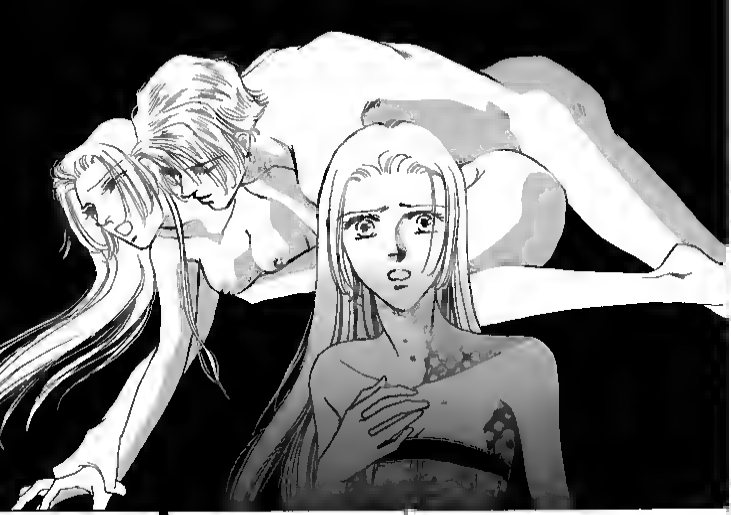
WHAT? YOU'RE GOING TO RUN AWAY?
turns
GLARES

MUST BE IN THE BLOOD.
DON'T YOU REMEMBER? FATHER ALWAYS USED TO HAVE THE LOWEST OF TASTES IN HIS LOVERS AS WELL
WHAT IS THE MEANING OF THIS?
YOU EVEN WENT SO FAR AS TO PRETEND TO BE A CUSTOMER OF MINE
YOU'VE GOT POOR TASTE, YOU KNOW THAT?
AT ANY RATE WHY DON'T YOU SIT DOWN?
MARS
clatter

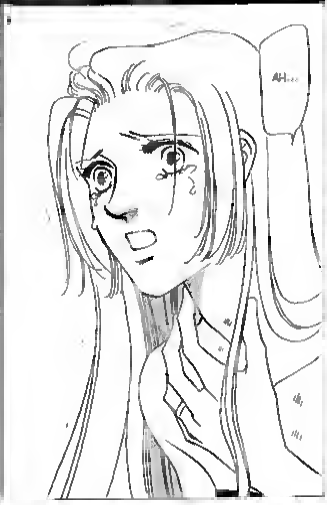

MY EYES SEEK OUT HIS PRESENCE
EVEN THOUGH I KNOW I HAVE NO RIGHT TO BE IN HIS PRESENCE ANY MORE...
I CAN'T TAKE MY EYES OFF OF HIM
I FEEL AS IF MY BODY'S ABOUT TO FLOAT AWAY
..MARS!

slide
WHAT ?
YOUR HAIR.
HONEY
Ah -

AH



NO....
DON'T LOOK THIS WAY...
slide
DON'T —
CRASH


AH...

CRASH
DON'T LOOK AT ME!

CLATTER
CHUCKLES

chuckles
HIS EYES...
LOOK LIKE... THE COLOR OF GOLD?
GLARES

YOU'RE THE LOWEST OF THE LOW. YOU KNOW THAT?
YOU—
GLARES BACK
—AND ME!
SLAM

MY MARS
WHAT A SURPRISE THAT YOU WOULD COME TO SEE ME ON YOUR OWN
YAMATO

I WANT TO SETTLE THINGS BETWEEN US
I'LL LEAVE THE HOTEL IN YOUR HANDS.
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
IF YOU DISAPPEAR, THE INVESTORS ARE GOING TO BACK OUT TOO, YOU KNOW
YOU HAVE QUITE THE GUARANTOR, OR SO I HEARD?
EVEN IF IT WAS THE CASE THAT YOU DIDN'T,
I DON'T NEED THE HOTEL.
I DON'T NEED ANYTHING.

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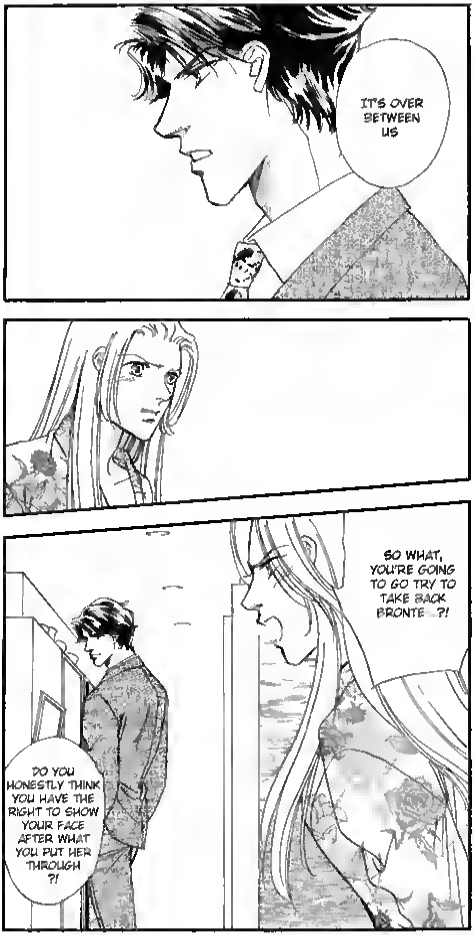
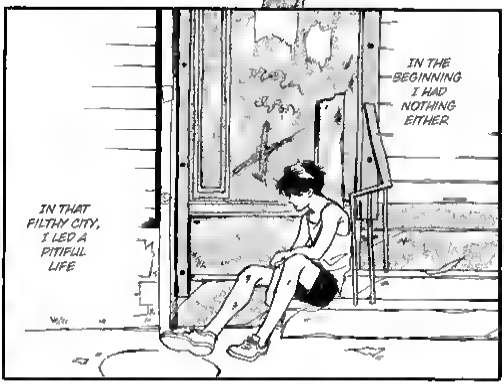

IT'S OVER BETWEEN US
SO WHAT, YOU'RE GOING TO GO TRY TO TAKE BACK BRONTE--?!
DO YOU HONESTLY THINK YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO SHOW YOUR FACE AFTER WHAT YOU PUT HER THROUGH ?!

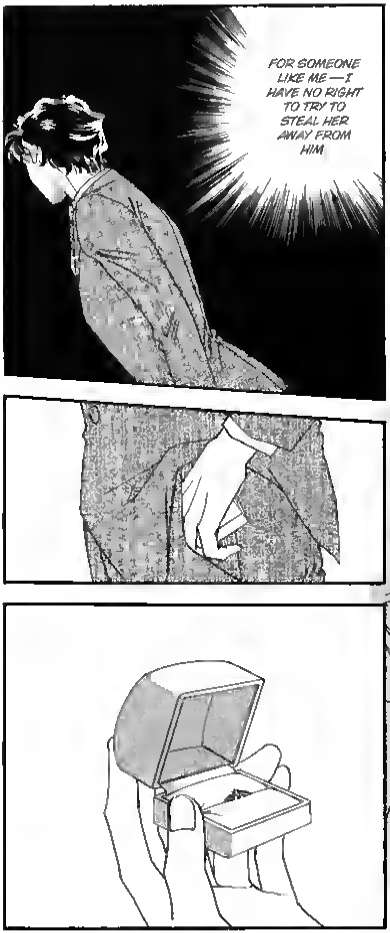
WAIT,
MARS!

THAT'S RIGHT, I DON'T NEED A THING

EVEN SO—


IN THE BEGINNING I HAD NOTHING EITHER
IN THAT FILTHY CITY, I LED A PITIFUL LIFE

I LOST SOMETHING MUCH MORE IMPORTANT
IN FEAR OF LOSING IT.
I WAS ABLE TO MAKE THIS HOTEL MINE
BRONTE— ...
DON'T LOOK AT ME!


FOR SOMEONE LIKE ME — I HAVE NO RIGHT TO TRY TO STEAL HER AWAY FROM HIM
I'M THE ONE AT FAULT FOR THOSE TEARS
I'M THE ONE WHO HAS MADE YOU SUFFER SO MUCH

AND ONLY THEN, WILL I ALLOW MYSELF TO GO AND SEE YOU!
I HAVE NO RIGHT TO TELL HER —— TO WAIT FOR ME
BUT BRONTE
squeeze
I'M GOING TO START OVER FROM SCRATCH
STEPS FORWARD

I'LL TAKE YOU INTO MY ARMS AND PROFESS MY LOVE FOR YOU...!

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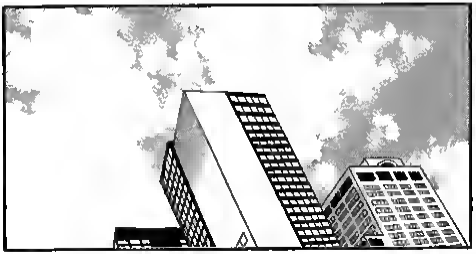
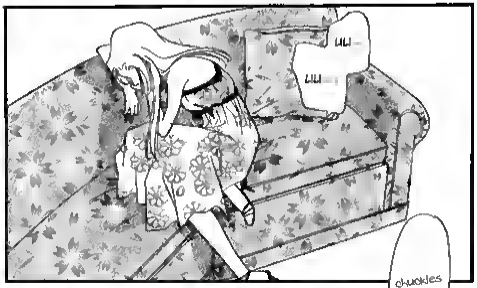
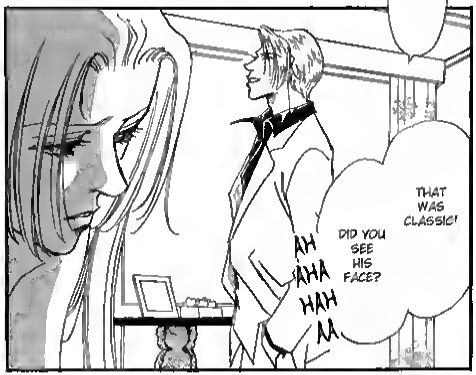
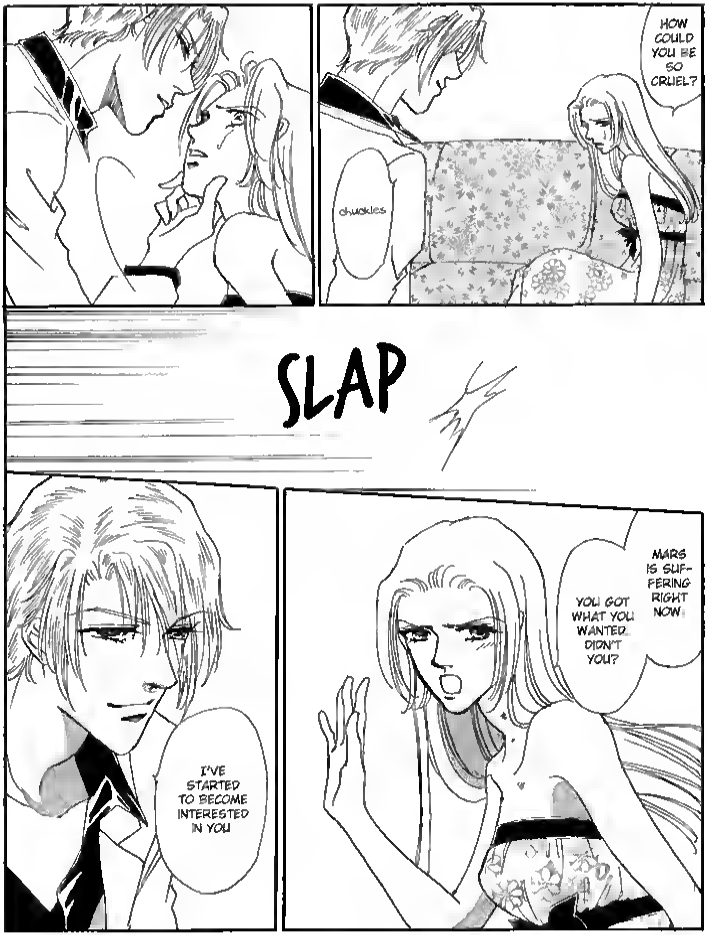
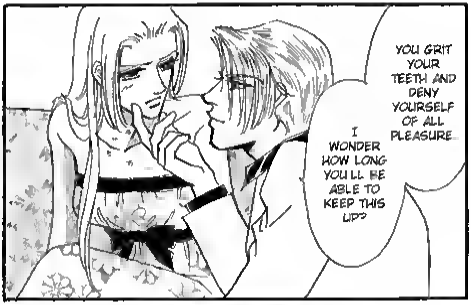


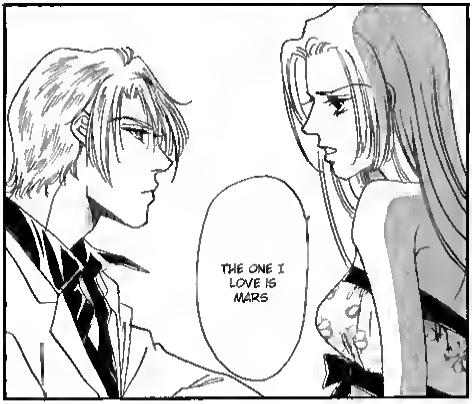


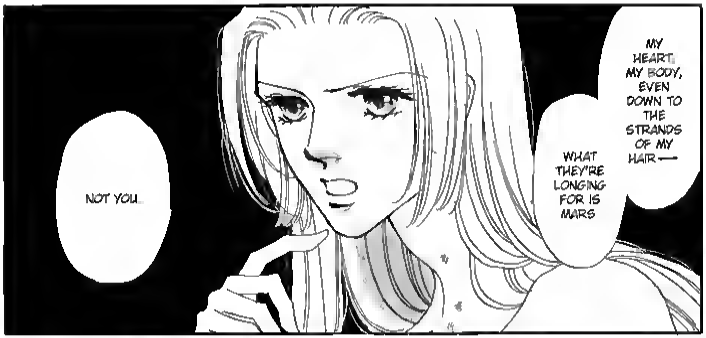


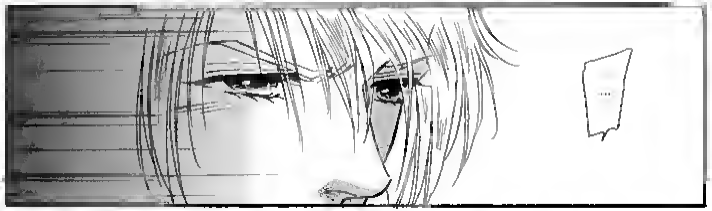

chuckles
HOW COULD YOU BE SO CRUEL?
SLAP
I'VE STARTED TO BECOME INTERESTED IN YOU
YOU GOT WHAT YOU WANTED, DIDN'T YOU?
MARS IS SUFFERING RIGHT NOW!


I WONDER HOW LONG YOU'LL BE ABLE TO KEEP THIS UP?
YOU GRIT YOUR TEETH AND DENY YOURSELF OF ALL PLEASURE.

DON'T YOU UNDERSTAND, GUS?


THE ONE I LOVE IS MARS


MY HEART, MY BODY, EVEN DOWN TO THE STRANDS OF MY HAIR—
WHAT THEY'RE LONGING FOR IS MARS
NOT YOU.


...

YOU'RE GOING TO REGRET WHAT YOU JUST SAID TO ME.
THUD
Uh...

I WAS PLANNING ON GIVING YOU BACK TO HIM
ONCE HE WAS REDUCED TO NOTHING BUT TATTERS
BUT I'VE CHANGED MY MIND
GRABS
...!
licks
NO
slide
UNTIL YOU SAY YOU WANT ME—

LIFTS
UNTIL YOU MOVE AGAINST ME IN SWEET ABANDON
YOU'RE MINE!
NO...!
grabs
TENSE
AH
YOU FEEL IT HERE, DON'T YOU?
EVEN IF YOUR HEART DOESN'T— YOUR BODY WILL DO THE BETRAYING FOR YOU.

YOOOOOOOO!
DON'T ...
NO...

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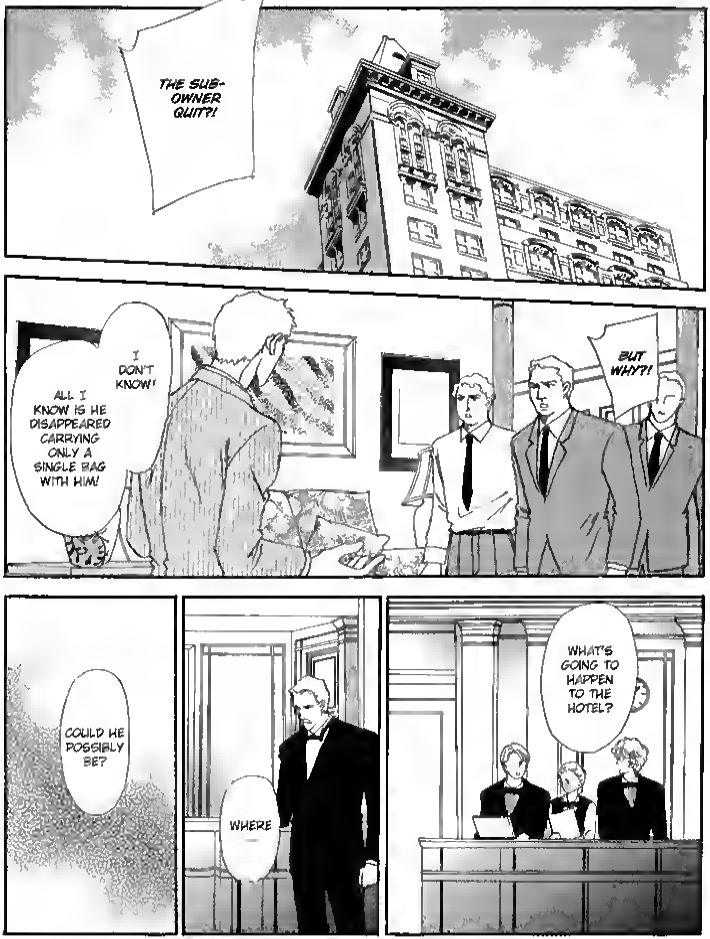
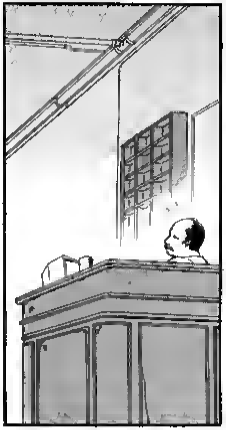
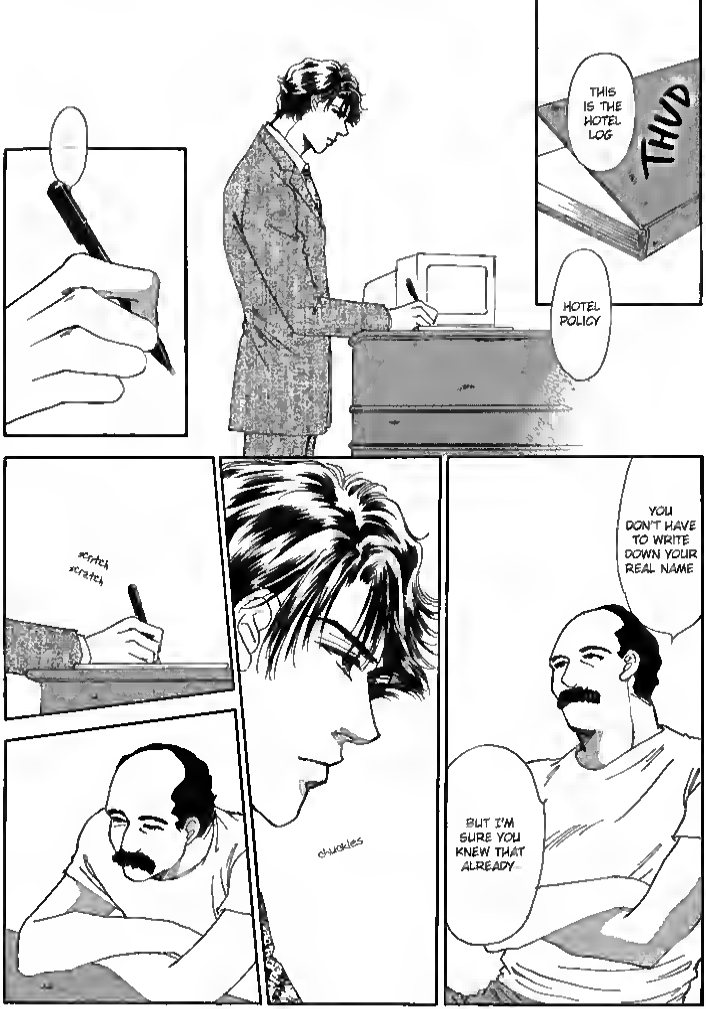

THE SUB-OWNER QUIT?!
BUT WHY?!
I DON'T KNOW!
ALL I KNOW IS HE DISAPPEARED CARRYING ONLY A SINGLE BAG WITH HIM!
WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN TO THE HOTEL?
WHERE
COULD HE POSSIBLY BE?



Creak

ANY ROOMS AVAILABLE?

Huh
FIRST TIME A CUSTOMER EVER CAME IN WEARING A SUIT
LOOKS OVER
IF YOU STAY AT A PLACE LIKE THIS
ALL YOU'RE GONNA DO IS GET YOUR HIDE HANDED BACK TO YA
YOU SHOULD HIT SOMEWHERE ELSE
AS LONG AS I'M LEFT WITH MY LIFE I HAVE NO COMPLAINTS


THIS IS THE HOTEL LOG
THUD
HOTEL POLICY
scratch scratch
chuckles
YOU DON'T HAVE TO WRITE DOWN YOUR REAL NAME
BUT I'M SURE YOU KNEW THAT ALREADY...

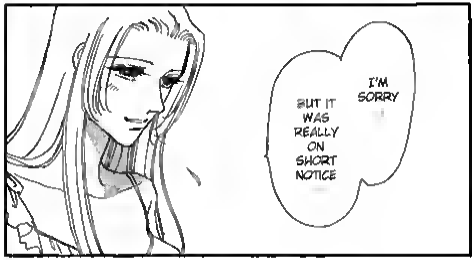
"MARS BROWN"
YES
INTERESTING. LIKE THE PLANET
HERE
THE ROOM ON THE CORNER OF THE THIRD FLOOR IS FREE
—WHO IS HE REALLY ANYWAY?

WHEN HE STEPPED INTO THIS PLACE
HIS EYES WERE GLEAMING GOLD
—THEY WERE THE EYES

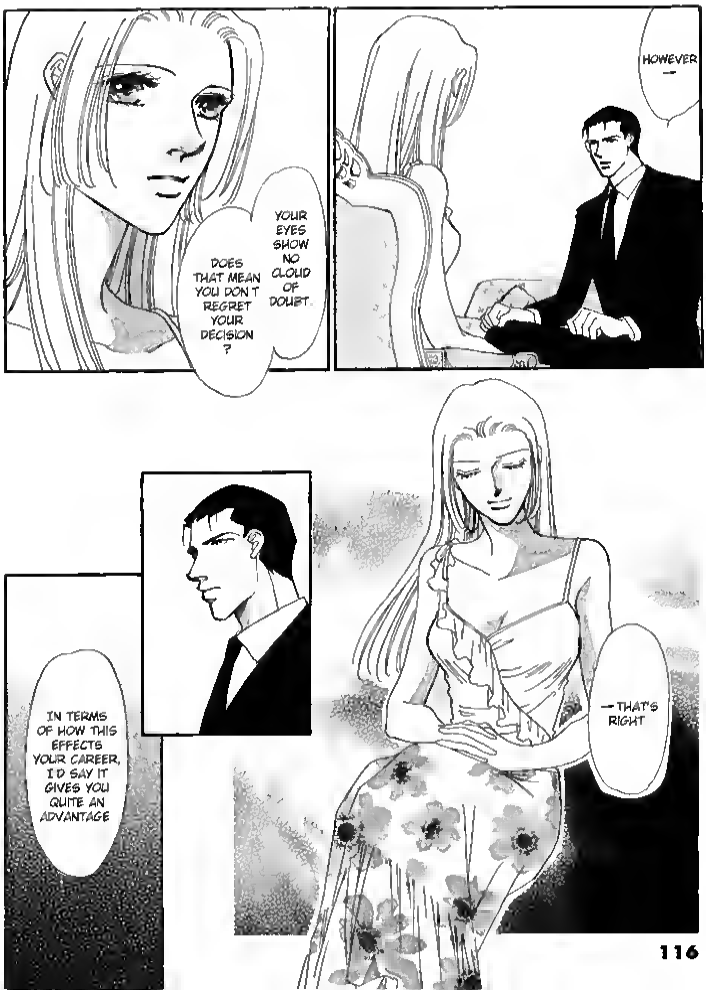
OF A HUNGRY WOLF
Jshouyo

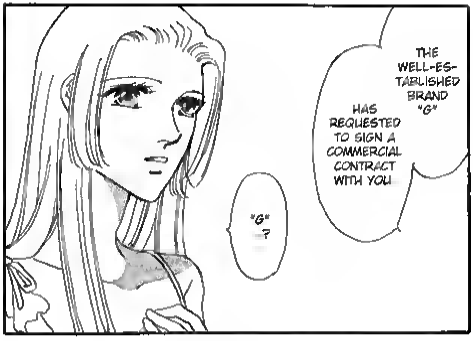
GRAY!
SORRY TO BOTHER YOU WHILE YOU'RE ON YOUR HONEYMOON
I WAS WONDERING WHAT WAS GOING ON
WHEN I RECEIVED A PHONE CALL FROM YOU LAST WEEK.
SAYING YOU WANTED TO TAKE A ONE WEEK BREAK NOW I KNOW.

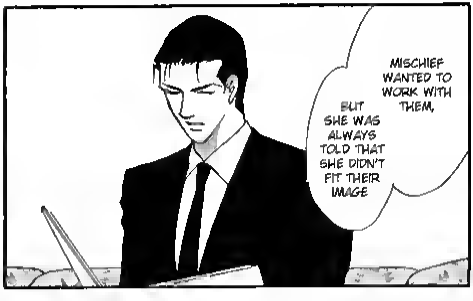
TO THINK YOU'D MARRY GUS BROWN, THOUGH...


I'M SORRY
BUT IT WAS REALLY ON SHORT NOTICE

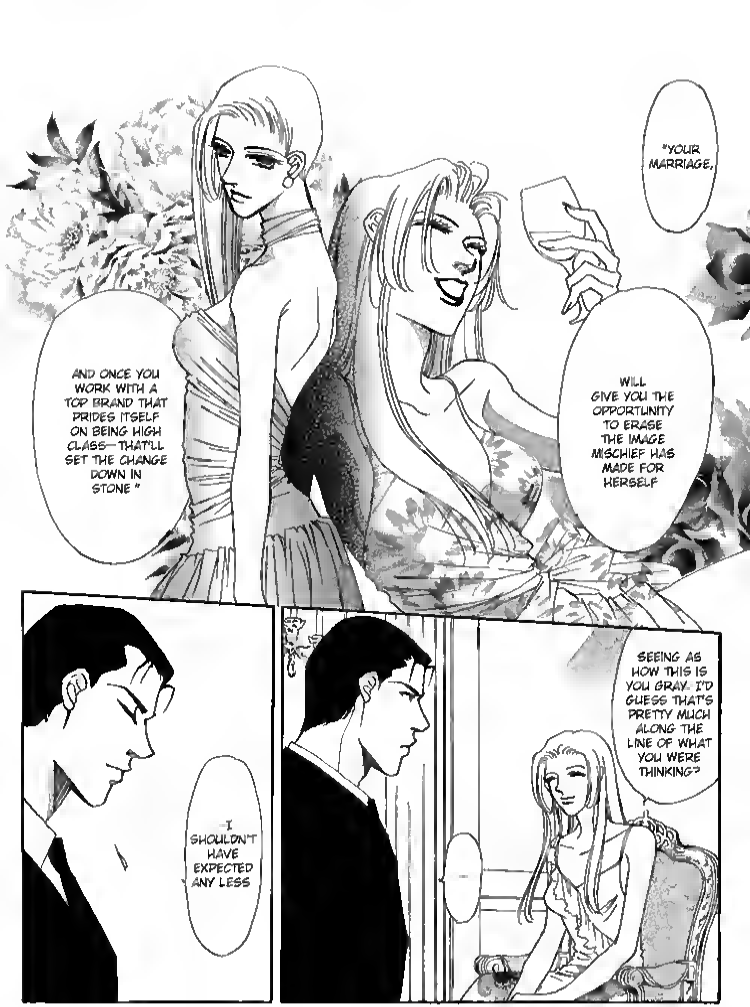
...YOU CAN BE QUITE RECKLESS

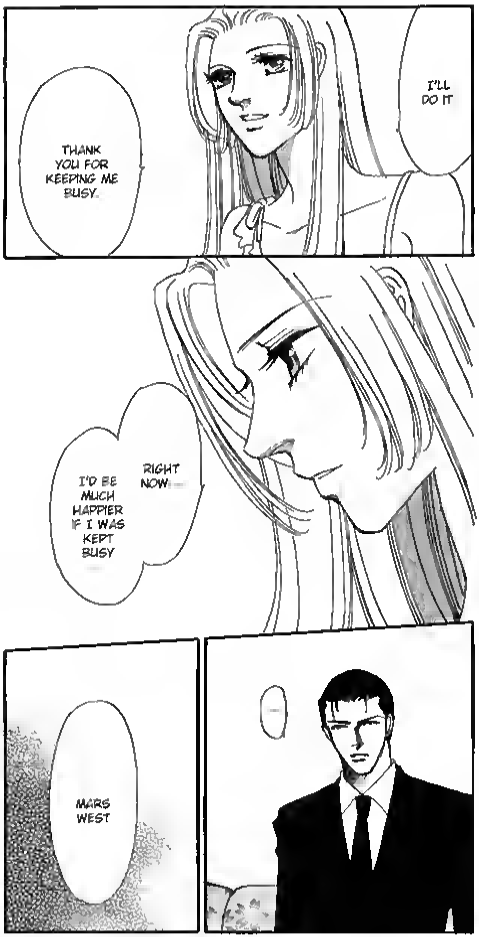

YOUR EYES SHOW NO CLOUD OF DOUBT.
DOES THAT MEAN YOU DON'T REGRET YOUR DECISION?
HOWEVER—
—THAT'S RIGHT
IN TERMS OF HOW THIS EFFECTS YOUR CAREER, I'D SAY IT GIVES YOU QUITE AN ADVANTAGE

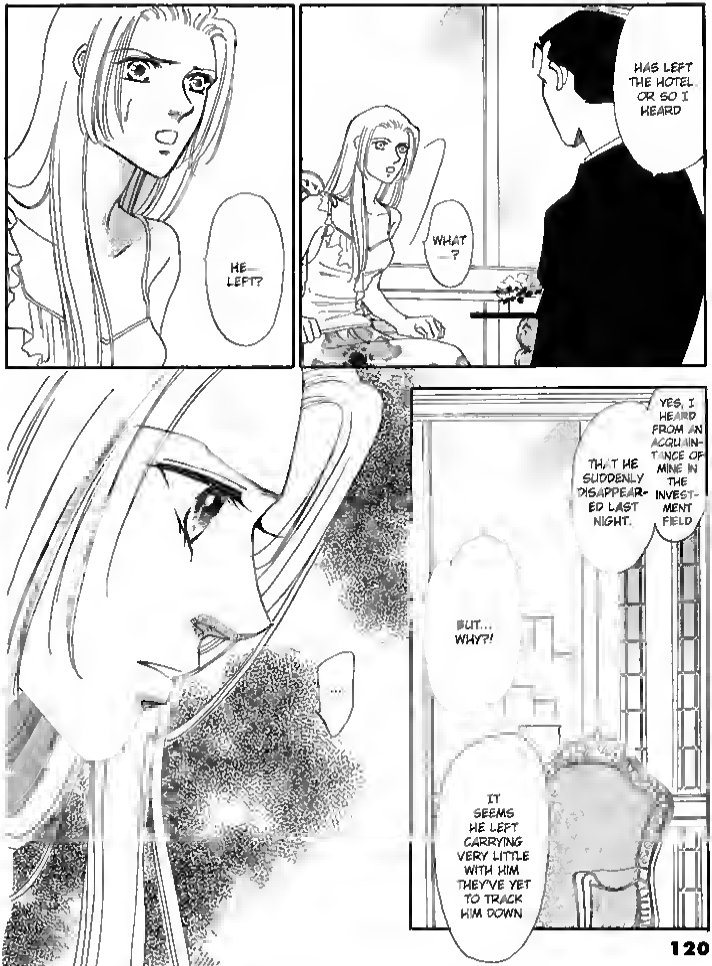

THE WELL-ESTABLISHED BRAND "G"
HAS REQUESTED TO SIGN A COMMERCIAL CONTRACT WITH YOU
"G"?


MISCHIEF WANTED TO WORK WITH THEM,
BUT SHE WAS ALWAYS TOLD THAT SHE DIDN'T FIT THEIR IMAGE

chuckles
—LET ME GUESS
YOU WENT AND CONVINCED THEM OTHERWISE?


"YOUR MARRIAGE,
WILL GIVE YOU THE OPPORTUNITY TO ERASE THE IMAGE MISCHIEF HAS MADE FOR HERSELF
AND ONCE YOU WORK WITH A TOP BRAND THAT PRIDES ITSELF ON BEING HIGH CLASS--THAT'LL SET THE CHANGE DOWN IN STONE."
SEEING AS HOW THIS IS YOU GRAY. I'D GUESS THAT'S PRETTY MUCH ALONG THE LINE OF WHAT YOU WERE THINKING?
I SHOULDN'T HAVE EXPECTED ANY LESS


I'LL DO IT
THANK YOU FOR KEEPING ME BUSY.
RIGHT NOW...
I'D BE MUCH HAPPIER IF I WAS KEPT BUSY
MARS WEST


HE... LEFT?
WHAT —?
HAS LEFT THE HOTEL OR SO I HEARD
YES, I HEARD FROM AN ACQUAINTANCE OF MINE IN THE INVESTMENT FIELD
THAT HE SUDDENLY DISAPPEARED LAST NIGHT.
BUT... WHY?!
IT SEEMS HE LEFT CARRYING VERY LITTLE WITH HIM THEY'VE YET TO TRACK HIM DOWN
...

HE...LEFT?
IT WAS HIS EVERYTHING
BUT THAT HOTEL MEANT SO MUCH TO HIM
IS IT BECAUSE I MARRIED SOMEONE ELSE...?
IS THIS MY FAULT...?
IT'S HIS OWN FAULT. HE DUG HIS OWN GRAVE

HE MADE YOU MARRY SOMEONE ELSE
IF HE'S A REAL MAN, HE'D EITHER HAVE TO LIVE UP TO IT—
GUS!
OR GO CRAZY FROM THE KNOWL-EDGE
Ahahahaha
DON'T LAUGH!

HE'S IN THE BRONX
GRAY! CAN YOU TRACK DOWN HIS WHEREABOUTS?
IS THERE ANYTHING THAT I CAN DO?
GUS! YOU KNOW WHERE HE IS?!
WELL I AM HIS GUARANTOR AFTER ALL.
AT THE VERY LEAST, I NEED TO KEEP TABS ON HIM
WHERE IS HE?!
WHERE IN THE BRONX?!

PULLS
YOU WANT TO SEE HIM, MY WIFE?
WHY DON'T WE
—GO TOGETHER?
chuckles

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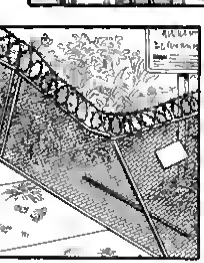

WHAT A FILTHY PLACE!
IT REEKS OF SWEAT, DUST AND CRIMES!

SLAM
THIS IS WHERE MARS'...

knock
knock
SLAM
WHO IS IT?
MARS, IT'S ME!
BLINK

YO
GUS
MY WIFE WANTED TO SEE YOU, SO HERE WE ARE

CLICK
VARIOUS NOTHING THAT THE POLICE WOULD RAISE AN EYEBROW OVER THOUGH...
OH? WHAT KIND OF WORK?
I HAVE TO GET TO WORK.
PULLS
WHY DID YOU LEAVE THE HOTEL?!
WHY?!
MARS...

NOW NOW, MY DEAR WIFE
YOU PROMISED THAT YOU'D COME HERE TO SEE HIM, NOTHING MORE
AH—
STOP IT, GUS!

slides
WHA—
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?!
YOU DON'T MIND, DO YOU?
NO
WELL, HERE'S YOUR CHANCE
NO MATTER HOW MANY TIMES I MAKE LOVE TO YOU, YOU NEVER COME
IS THIS WHY YOU AGREED TO BRING ME HERE?
SQUEEZE
THAT'S RIGHT. IT'S ALL BECAUSE YOU'RE STILL SET ON FIGHTING ME

I'M SURPRISED AT MYSELF FOR LETTING SOMETHING LIKE THIS GET TO ME.
BUT YOU'RE THE REASON FOR ALL OF THIS, BRONTE.
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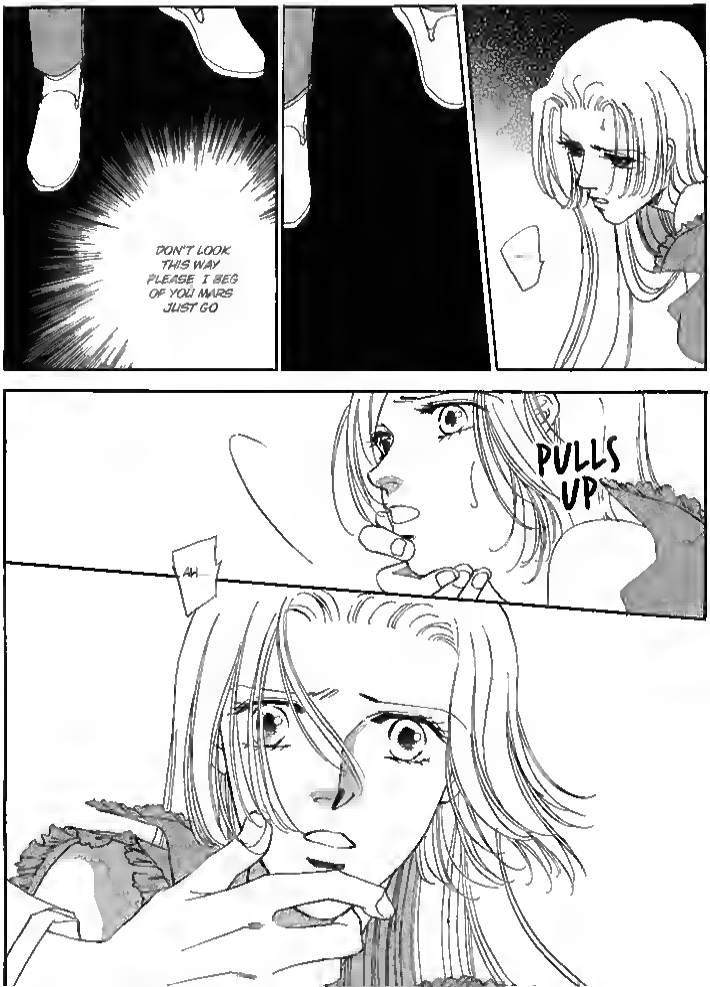
DON'T LOOK THIS WAY PLEASE I BEG OF YOU MARS JUST GO
PULLS UP
AH

BA...DUMP

I CAN HEAR THE BEATING OF HIS HEART
IT BEATS WITH FURY
RAGE BURNS WITHIN HIS EYES
THUMP...
THUMP...
AND YET HE MAKES NO MOVE FORWARD
—OH

I UNDERSTAND WHY.
IT'S BECAUSE
YOU DON'T FEEL A TRACE OF REGRET OVER HAVING GIVEN UP THE HOTEL.
MARS ...
BRONTE...
...I UNDERSTAND
YES, MARS

I WILL...
WAIT FOR ME...
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I LOVE YOU...
...I DO TOO.

THEY'RE ACTING AS IF I'M NOT EVEN HERE.
WHAT IS UP WITH THESE TWO?
SNAP
THEY'RE IGNORING ME!
AH
PULLS

MARS...!
AH
I LOVE YOU, MARS—
HA
AH
AHHH....

NO, IT'S NOT ME SHE LET HERSELF GO TO
DAMN-IT!
I'VE NEVER FELT MORE HUMILIATED!
WHEEZE
WHEEZE
DID SHE GIVE IN TO ME?
—MARS .
I'M NEVER GOING TO GIVE BRONTE BACK TO YOU, NO MATTER WHAT
SHE'S MINE...!

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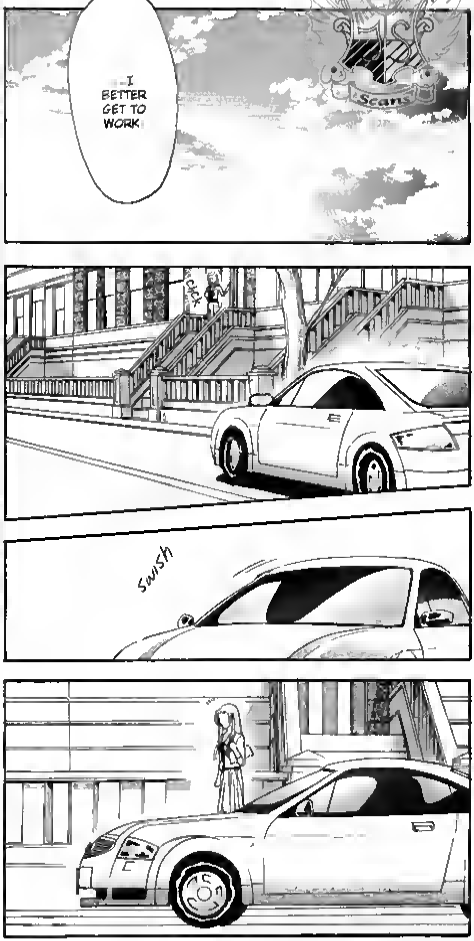
WE'LL BE LIVING HERE FOR A WHILE.
SINCE I DIDN'T PLAN ON BEING WITH YOU FOR A LONG TIME,
I DIDN'T HAVE A NEW PLACE SET UP.
OUR MARRIAGE IS MEANINGLESS NOW, GUS.

YOU SAW MARS, DIDN'T YOU?
HE'LL OVERCOME ALL OBSTACLES AND COME BACK STRONGER THAN EVER
THAT'S JUST THE KIND OF PERSON HE IS
SLAM
DON'T TALK ABOUT HIM IN MY PRESENCE ...!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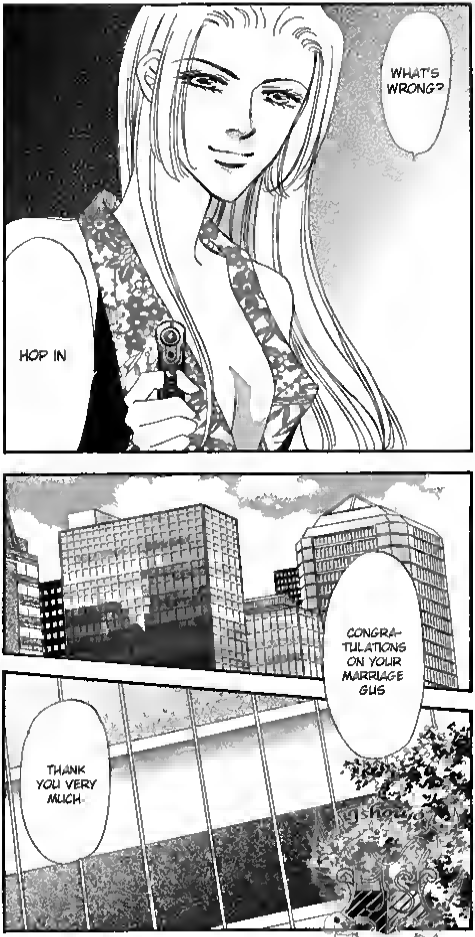
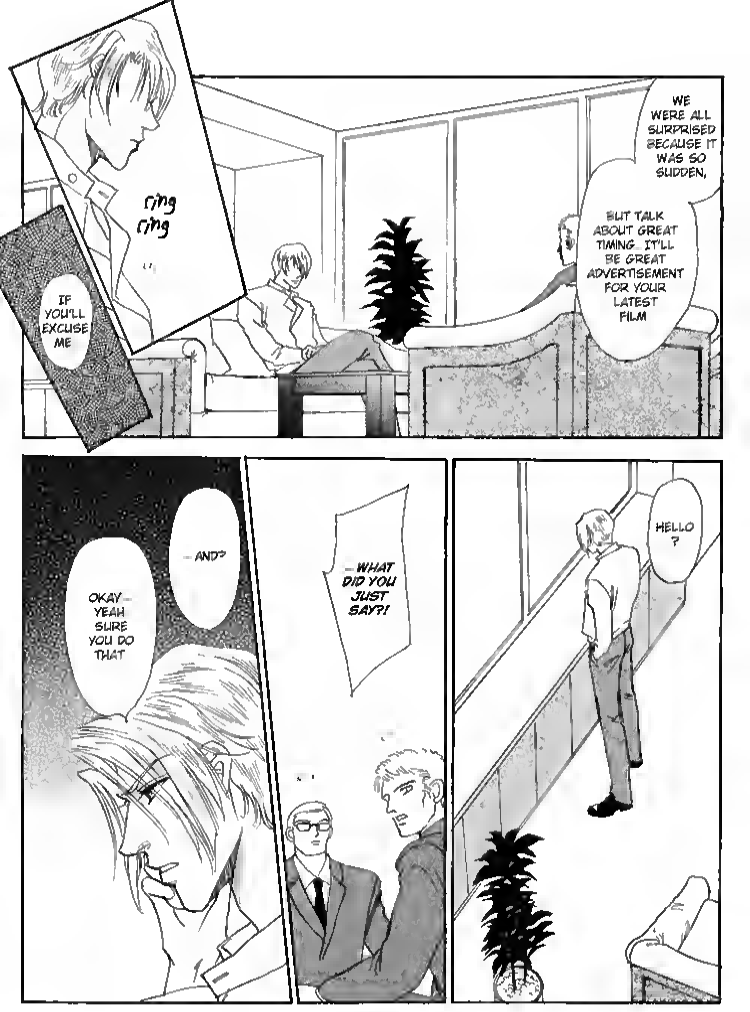
I BETTER GET TO WORK!
REX
Swish

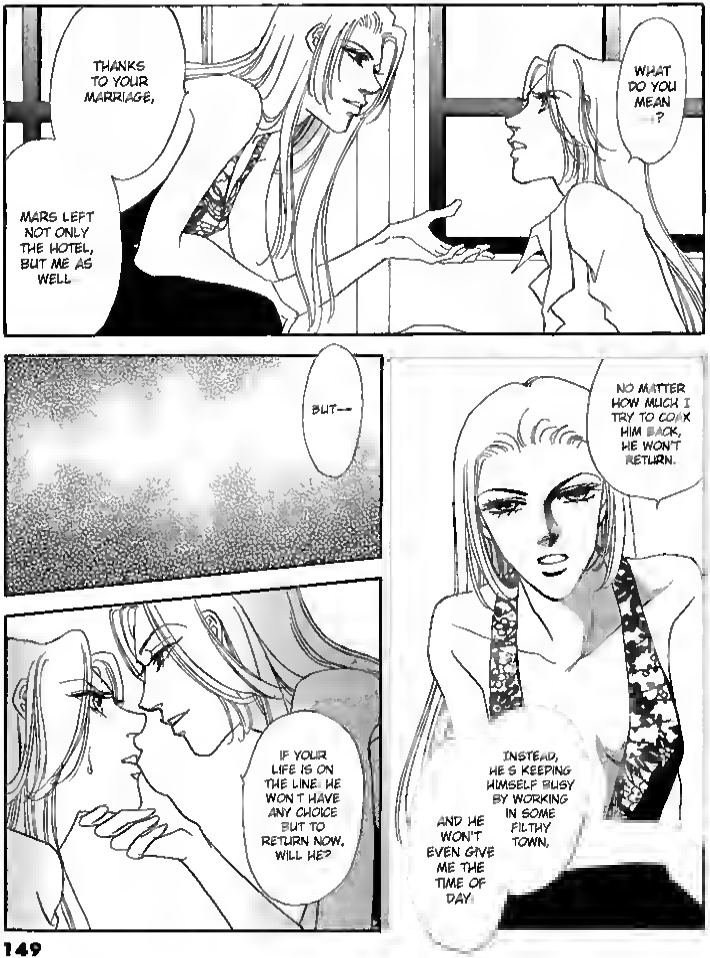
THIS VOICE
ARE YOU HEADING TO WORK?
I'LL GIVE YOU A LIFT
click
MISCHIEF!
STEPS BACK

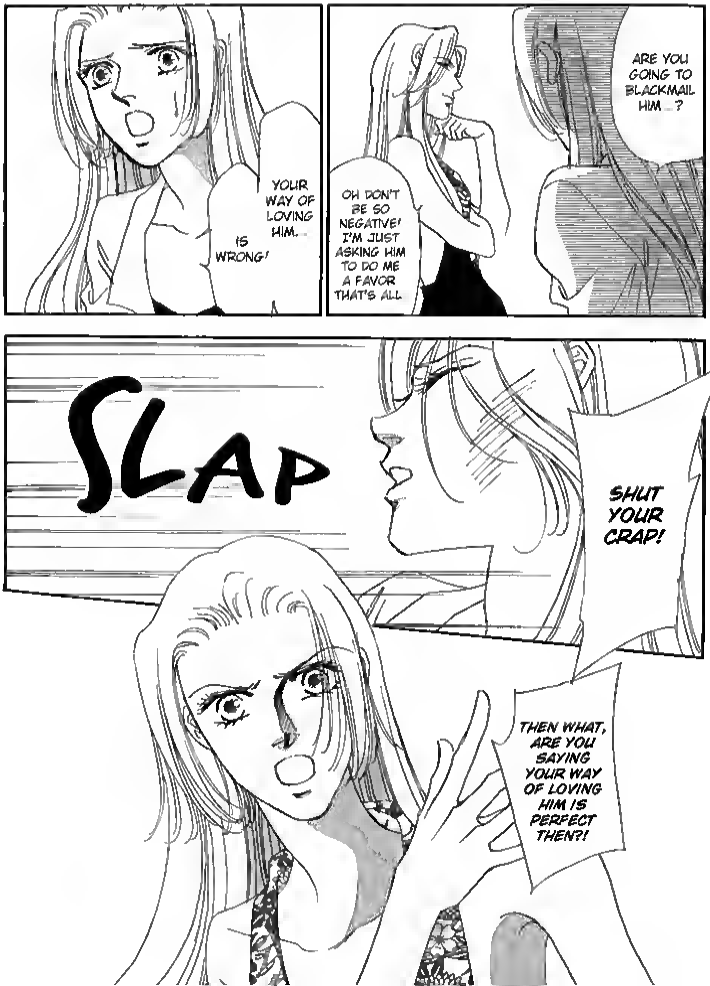

WHAT'S WRONG?
HOP IN
CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR MARRIAGE GUS
THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

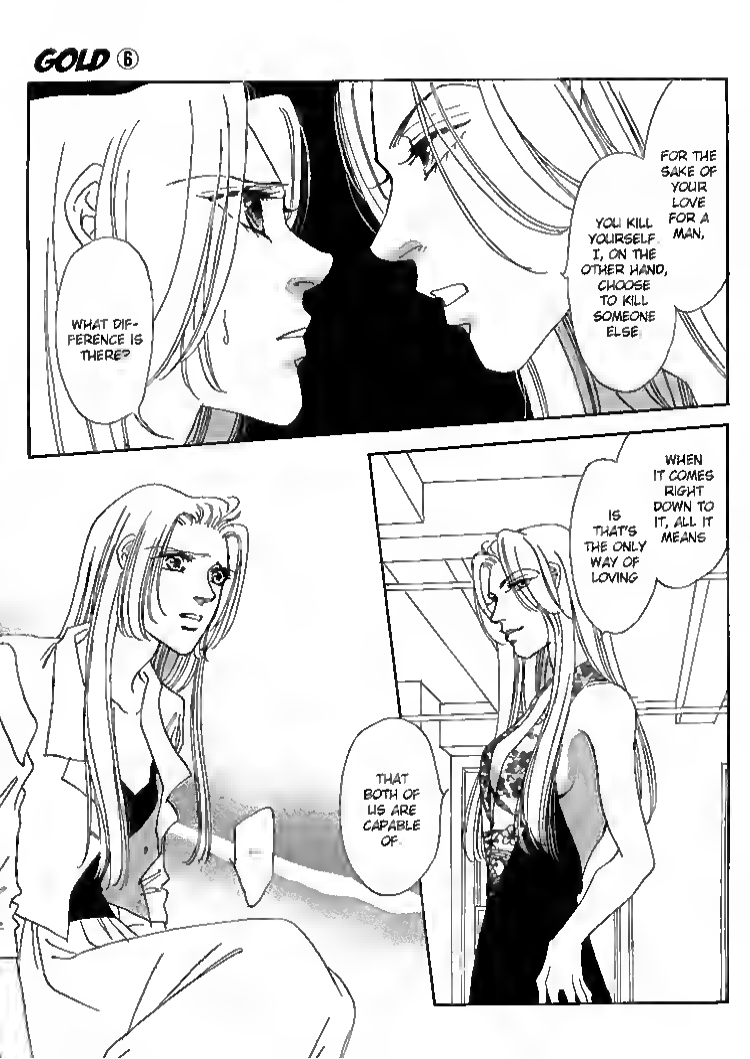

WE WERE ALL SURPRISED BECAUSE IT WAS SO SUDDEN,
BUT TALK ABOUT GREAT TIMING. IT'LL BE GREAT ADVERTISEMENT FOR YOUR LATEST FILM
ring ring
IF YOU'LL EXCUSE ME
HELLO ?
—WHAT DID YOU JUST SAY?!
— AND?
OKAY— YEAH SURE YOU DO THAT

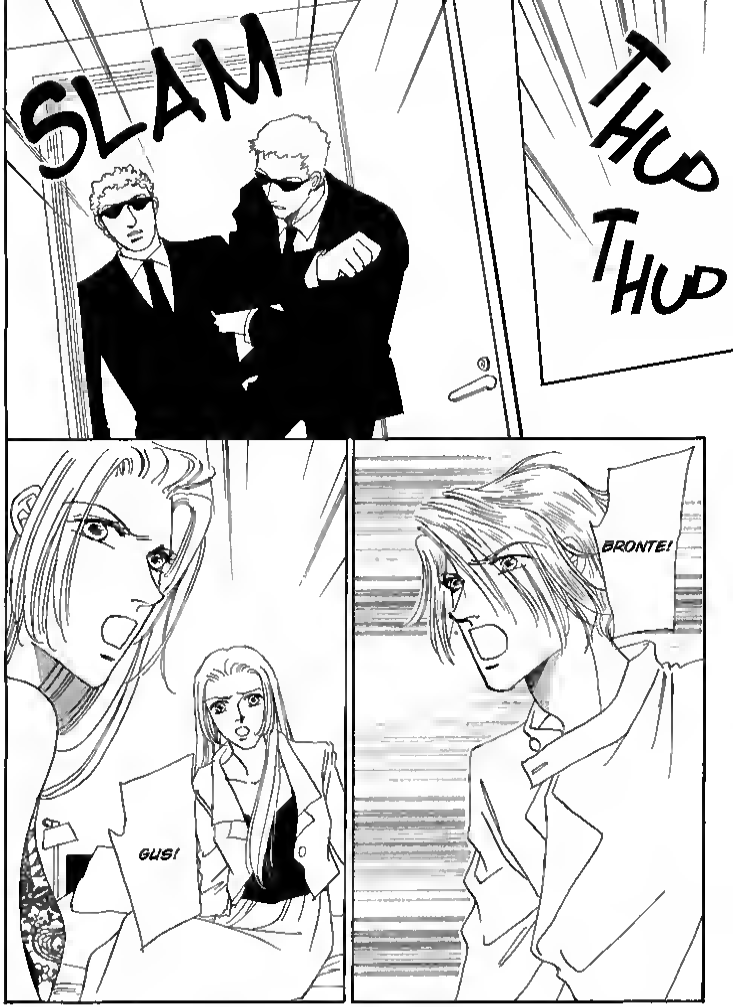
BRONTE'S BEEN KIDNAPPED ?!
CLICK
BUT... BY WHOM?!
BY MARS?
NO, IT COULDN'T BE
MISCHIEF!
—IT MUST BE HER

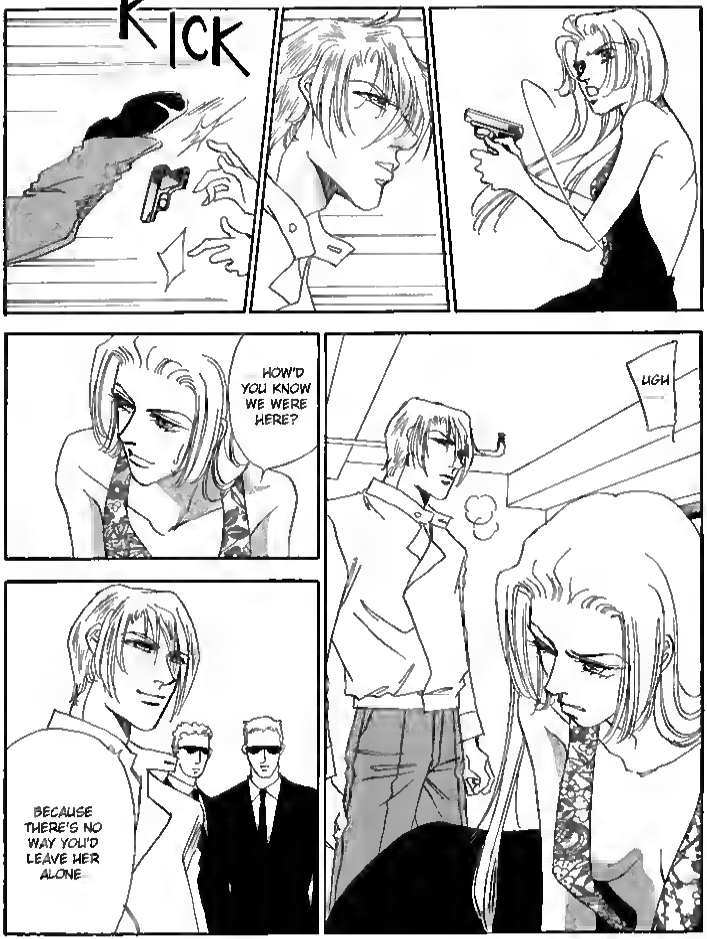
THUD
KYA!
MIS-CHIEF...!
WHAT IS THE MEANING OF THIS?!
ALL I WANT IS FOR YOU TO SOLVE EVERYTHING THAT YOU DID

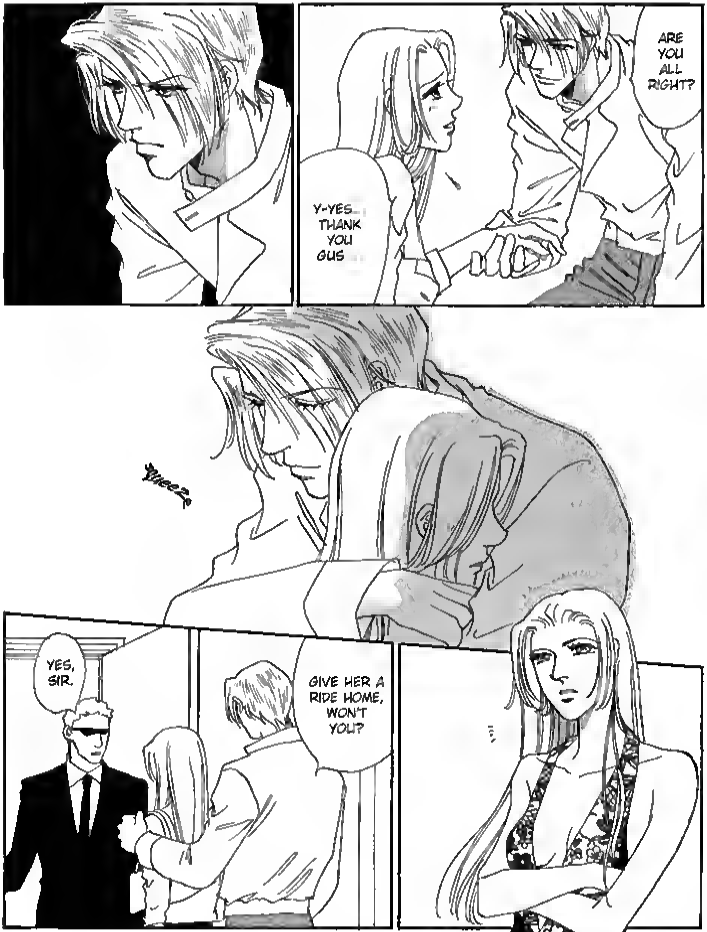

THANKS TO YOUR MARRIAGE,
MARS LEFT NOT ONLY THE HOTEL, BUT ME AS WELL.
WHAT DO YOU MEAN...?
BUT—
IF YOUR LIFE IS ON THE LINE, HE WON'T HAVE ANY CHOICE BUT TO RETURN NOW, WILL HE?
NO MATTER HOW MUCH I TRY TO COAX HIM BACK, HE WON'T RETURN.
INSTEAD, HE'S KEEPING HIMSELF BUSY BY WORKING IN SOME FILTHY TOWN,
AND HE WON'T EVEN GIVE ME THE TIME OF DAY.


ARE YOU GOING TO BLACKMAIL HIM...?
OH DON'T BE SO NEGATIVE! I'M JUST ASKING HIM TO DO ME A FAVOR THAT'S ALL
YOUR WAY OF LOVING HIM... IS WRONG!
SLAP
SHUT YOUR CRAP!
THEN WHAT, ARE YOU SAYING YOUR WAY OF LOVING HIM IS PERFECT THEN?!

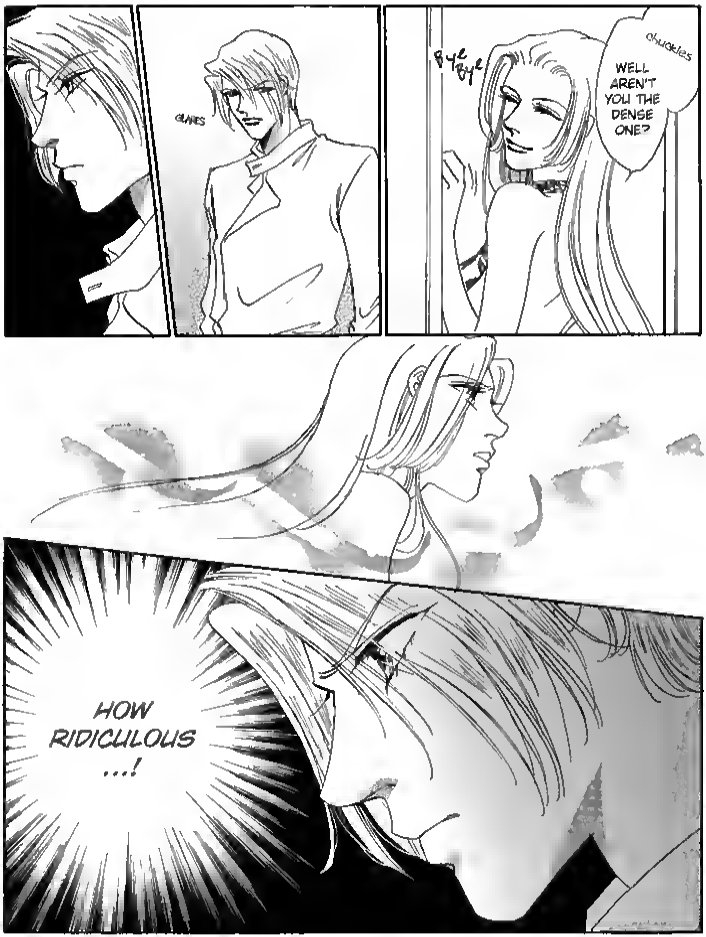

FOR THE SAKE OF YOUR LOVE FOR A MAN,
YOU KILL YOURSELF I, ON THE OTHER HAND, CHOOSE TO KILL SOMEONE ELSE.
WHAT DIFFERENCE IS THERE?
WHEN IT COMES RIGHT DOWN TO IT, ALL IT MEANS IS THAT'S THE ONLY WAY OF LOVING
THAT BOTH OF US ARE CAPABLE OF


SLAM
THUD
THUD
GUS!
BRONTE!


KICK
HOW'D YOU KNOW WE WERE HERE?
UGH
BECAUSE THERE'S NO WAY YOU'D LEAVE HER ALONE

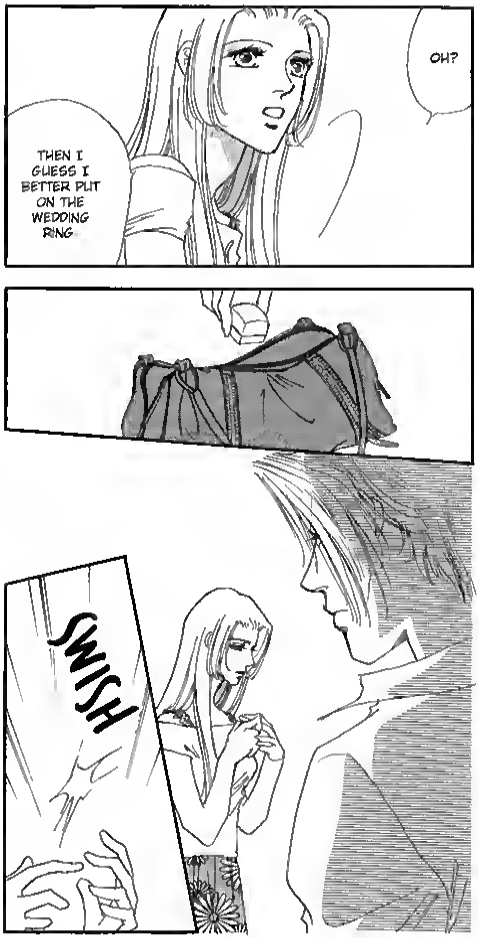

ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?
Y-YES... THANK YOU GUS...
Whoo
GIVE HER A RIDE HOME, WON'T YOU?
YES, SIR.

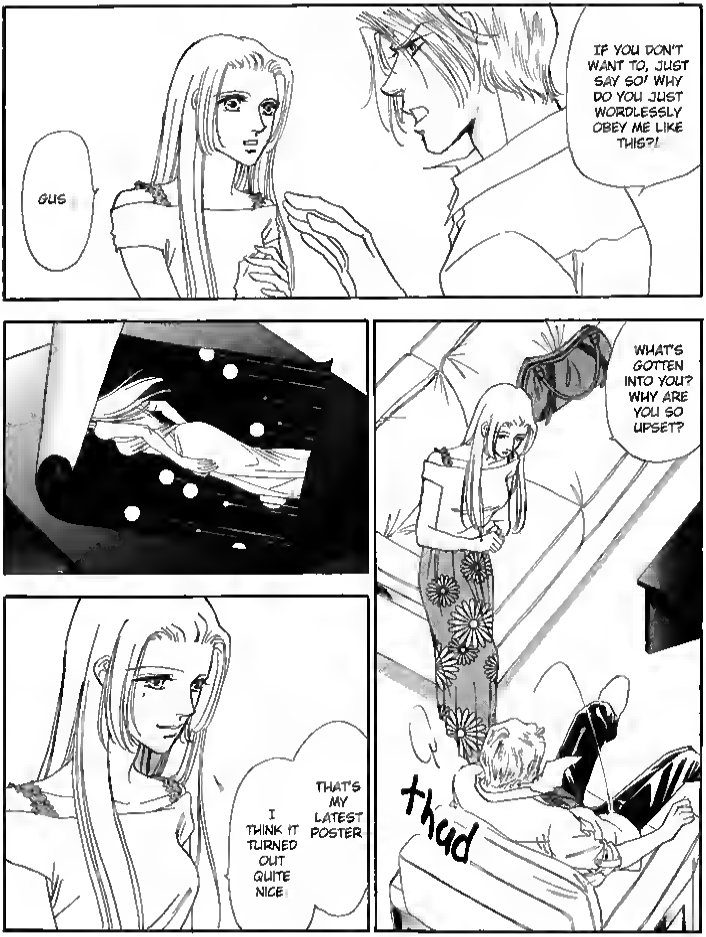
I NEVER THOUGHT YOU WERE ONE TO LET YOUR EMOTIONS GET IN THE WAY OF YOUR LIFE.
YOU DIDN'T EVEN BAT AN EYEBROW TO SAVE HER EVEN WITH A GUN IN MY HAND
OH,
SO IS THAT HOW IT IS?
"LOVE TRIANGLE"...?
snicker
AHA HA HA
GIVE ME A BREAK!
I THOUGHT THIS WAS JUST A PETTY BROTHER RIVALRY.
I GUESS I WAS WRONG THIS MUST BE QUITE THE HEATED LOVE TRIANGLE.


GLARES
chuckles
WELL AREN'T YOU THE DENSE ONE?
bye bye
HOW RIDICULOUS ...!

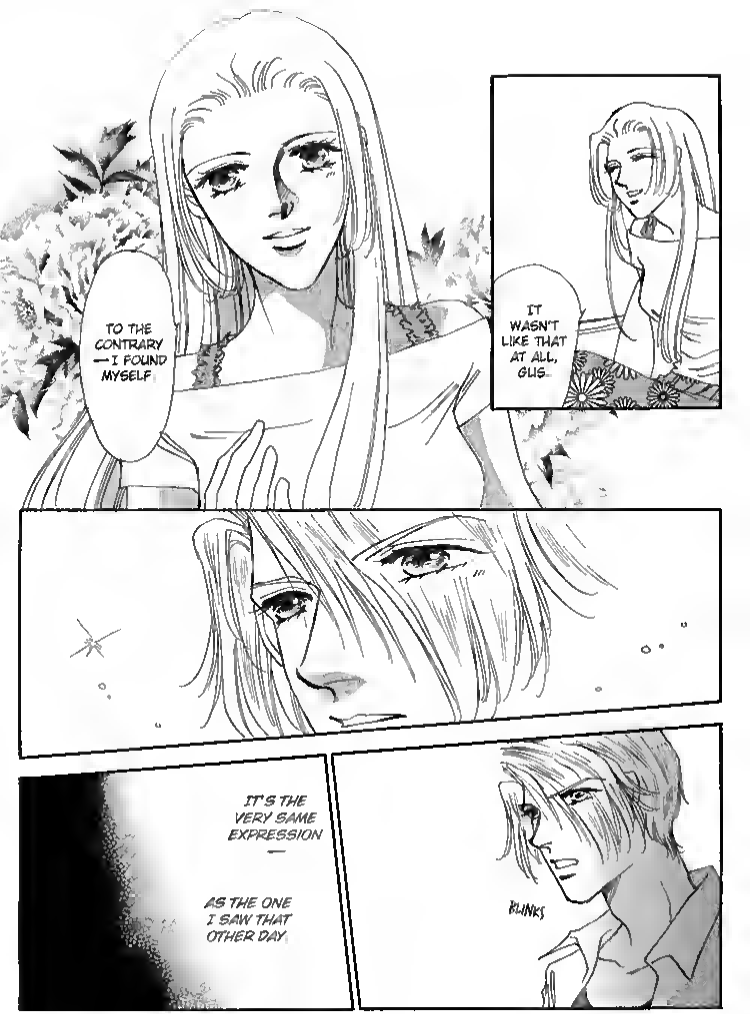
A "LOVE TRIANGLE" ?
SHE AGREES TO MARRY ANOTHER IN ORDER TO SAVE THE MAN SHE LOVES
SHE'S SIMPLY A SELF-SACRIFICIAL FOOL

SHE'S NOTHING BUT A TOOL TO ME
I HAVE NO PERSONAL INTEREST IN HER
HOW CAN SHE STILL SMILE AFTER ALL THIS?
THERE'S A PARTY TONIGHT THAT WE HAVE TO SHOW UP TO AS A COUPLE


OH?
THEN I GUESS I BETTER PUT ON THE WEDDING RING.
SWISH


IF YOU DON'T WANT TO, JUST SAY SO! WHY DO YOU JUST WORDLESSLY OBEY ME LIKE THIS?!
GUS
WHAT'S GOTTEN INTO YOU? WHY ARE YOU SO UPSET?
thud
THAT'S MY LATEST POSTER
I THINK IT TURNED OUT QUITE NICE

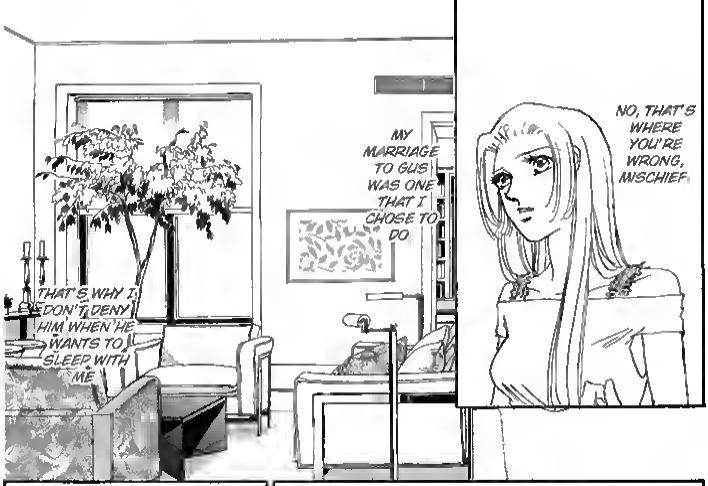
THERE'S NOT EVEN A TRACE OF THE OLD MISCHIEF IN HER EYES IN THE PHOTO.
HUH.
EVEN THOUGH THEY'RE THE SAME FACE, THERE'S NO MISTAKING THE PERSON IN THIS POSTER. IT'S BRONTE.
TWO WOMEN WHO SHARE THE SAME FACE—
AFTER YOUR FACE CHANGED,
DID YOU LOSE YOURSELF?
WHAT—?

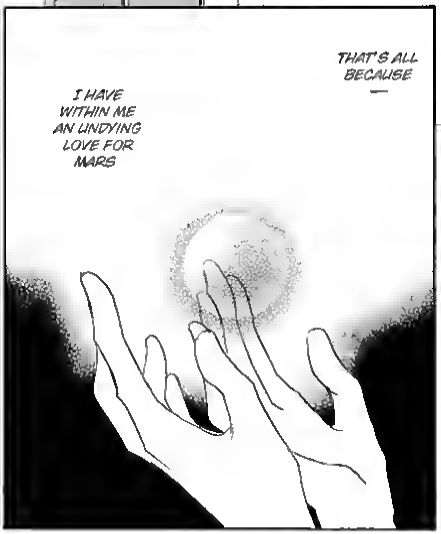

TO THE CONTRARY —I FOUND MYSELF
IT WASN'T LIKE THAT AT ALL, GUS.
IT'S THE VERY SAME EXPRESSION —
AS THE ONE I SAW THAT OTHER DAY.
BLINKS

THE WAY SHE LOOKED WHEN I SCREWED HER IN FRONT OF MARS—
"NO..."
SHE GAZED AT MARS WITHOUT A TRACE OF DOUBT,
AND IT WAS CLEAR SHE HAD FAITH IN HIM.

IT WAS CLEAR. HER UNWAVERING LOVE FOR MARS!
IS THAT WHY SHE'S BEEN ABLE TO KEEP SMILING DESPITE EVERYTHING ..?!
UGH .....

SLAM
RIP
RIP
RIP
"FOR THE SAKE OF YOUR LOVE FOR A MAN, YOU KILL YOURSELF. OR, ON THE OTHER HAND, CHOOSE TO KILL SOMEONE ELSE.
—WHAT DIFFERENCE IS THERE?"
GUS


THAT'S WHY I DON'T DENY HIM WHEN HE WANTS TO SLEEP WITH ME
MY MARRIAGE TO GUS WAS ONE THAT I CHOSE TO DO
NO, THAT'S WHERE YOU'RE WRONG, MISCHIEF.



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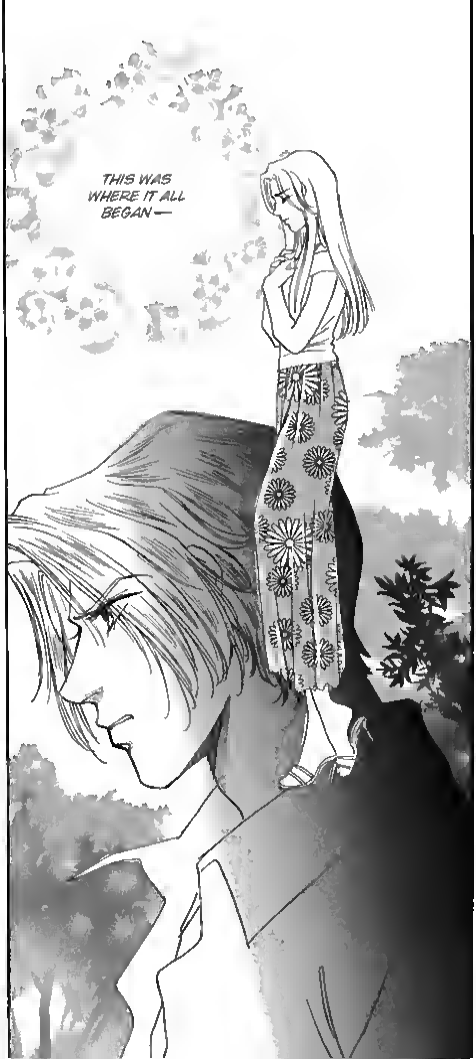
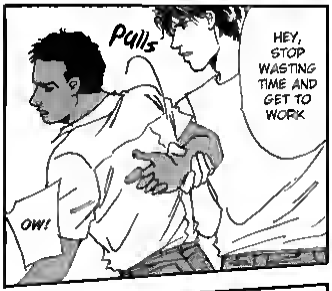
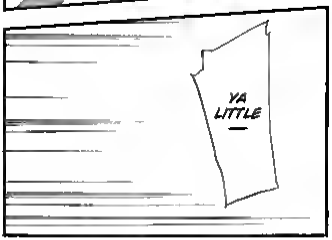

THIS WAS
WHERE IT ALL
BEGAN—

YOU HAVE MONEY DON'T YA?
NOW COUGH IT UP

construction noise


Pulls
HEY, STOP WASTING TIME AND GET TO WORK
OW!


YA LITTLE —

YA FUCKIN'
SWISH

TENKE

YOU'RE BETTER OFF NOT MESSING WITH SOMEONE WITH EYES LIKE THAT—
W— WHO IS HE ANYWAY—?
ducks tongues
THEY'RE GONNA EAT YOU ALIVE IF YOU DON'T FEND FOR YOURSELF!
SORRY ABOUT THAT—
"MOVE UP IN THIS WORLD," HUH?
I JUST KNOW IT
YOU'RE GONNA MOVE UP IN THIS WORLD,
WELL, THANKS

IT'S BECAUSE WITHOUT BRONTE,
THERE'S NO MEANING IN ANY OF IT
THE SKY-SCRAPERS THAT CAPTIVATED ME IN THE PAST,
ARE NOTHING BUT JUST ANOTHER PART OF THE SCENERY FOR ME NOW
BRONTE...!
LONG TIME NO SEE, HOLLYWOOD
TEMSE

THIS VOICE
YO
BRICK-HOUSE!
HEY WHAT'S WITH THE LOOK? C'MON... LOOSEN UP
WELL I GUESS THAT'S A BIT HARD TO ASK SEEING AS HOW WE GOT TO KNOW EACH OTHER IN THE SLAMMER
I HAVE SOME WORK FOR YA.
HOLLY-WOOD...
NAH, THIS IS A JOB FOR MARS WEST.

HARSH!
I CAN'T SEE THAT JOB BEING ANY GOOD
SEEING AS HOW IT'S YOU WE'RE TALKING ABOUT HERE,

I WAS SURPRISED TO SEE YOU BACK IN THIS PART OF THE CITY
YOU WERE LIVING THE HIGH LIFE. WHAT HAPPENED?

smirks
IN THE BEGINNING, I HAD NOTHING EITHER.
I JUST WENT BACK TO MY ROOTS, THAT'S ALL

HUH... I DON'T KNOW IF I SHOULD FEEL FLATTERED OR OFFENDED
HUH... WELL I'M GLAD TO SEE THAT LOOK IN YOUR EYE HASN'T CHANGED
YOU WERE ALWAYS A FAVORITE OF MINE
WELL, IF YOU CHANGE YOUR MIND—
GO TO THE PLACE ON THIS ADDRESS TOMORROW
shoves
YOU SHOULD TAKE AN OPPORTUNITY WHEN IT COMES YOUR WAY

YOU'RE NOT THE KIND WHO'LL NEVER BE MORE THAN THIS DUMP
pats
RISE TO THE TOP, HOLLY-WOOD!

BLINKS
I COULDN'T CARE LESS ABOUT YOUR FAVORITISMS.
BUT THIS OPPORTUNITY IS SOMETHING I THANK YOU FOR, BRICKHOUSE!
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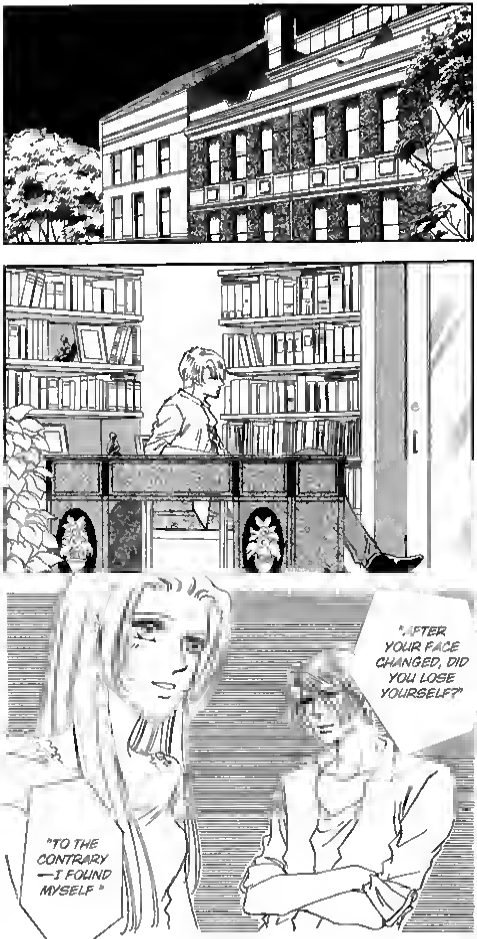
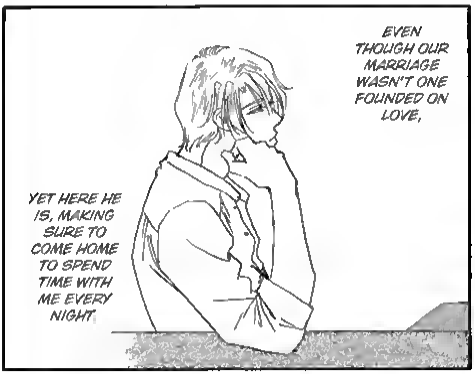
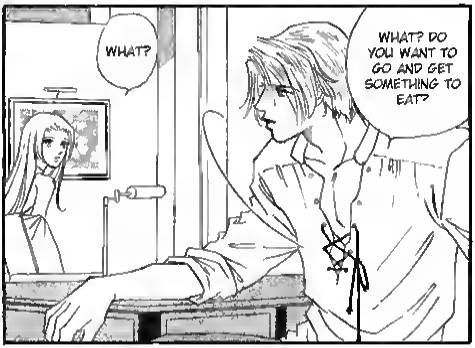

"AFTER YOUR FACE CHANGED, DID YOU LOSE YOURSELF?"
"TO THE CONTRARY —I FOUND MYSELF."

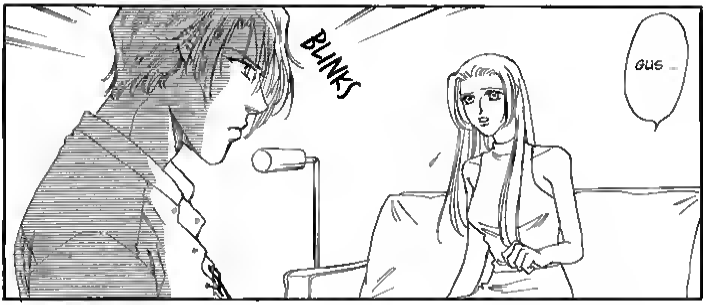
—THEN WHAT ABOUT "ME"— ...?
SO SHE "FOUND" HERSELF, HUH?
WHAT A STRANGE PERSON—


EVEN THOUGH OUR MARRIAGE WASN'T ONE FOUNDED ON LOVE,
YET HERE HE IS, MAKING SURE TO COME HOME TO SPEND TIME WITH ME EVERY NIGHT.


WHAT?
WHAT? DO YOU WANT TO GO AND GET SOMETHING TO EAT?

WHAT'S SO FUNNY?
sigh
THIS IS ALL SO... NORMAL
IT'S ALMOST TOO NORMAL
THIS IS ALL SO NORMAL
thud
IF HE HAD REALLY WANTED TO, HE COULD'VE JUST LIED, BUT HE REALLY DID FOLLOW THROUGH ON BECOMING MARS' GUARANTOR.
PERHAPS HE MIGHT NOT BE SUCH A TERRIBLE PERSON.

ALL THE TERRIBLE THINGS HE CHOOSE TO DO IS ALL BECAUSE OF HIS HATRED TOWARDS MARS—
WHAT IS IT ABOUT MARS THAT YOU DON'T LIKE?
HIS VERY PRESENCE!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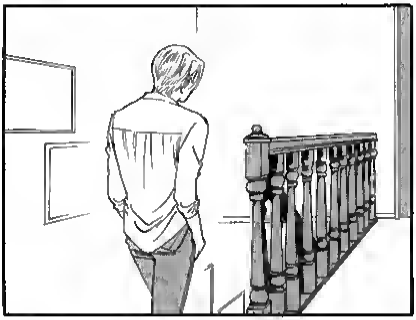
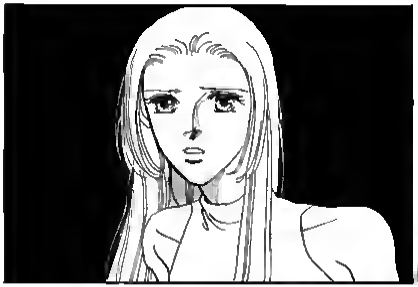
GUS...

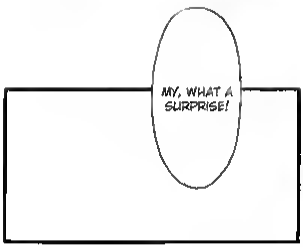


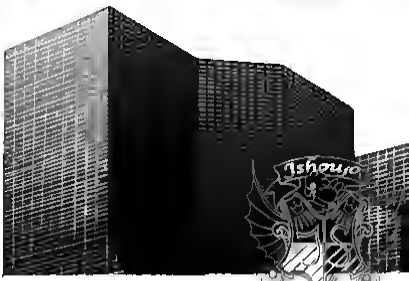
I DON'T LIKE BEING ASKED PERSONAL QUESTIONS LIKE THIS
I'M GOING TO GO AND REST



IT'S NOT JUST HATE...
THE WAY HE SAID IT...
WAS FILLED WITH HATRED, BUT AT THE SAME TIME...
THERE WAS AN UNMISTAKABLE ECHO OF PAIN IN HIS WORDS...

IS THIS PAIN WHAT YOU'RE CARRYING DEEP WITHIN YOU,
—GUS?


MY, WHAT A SURPRISE!


Ashou

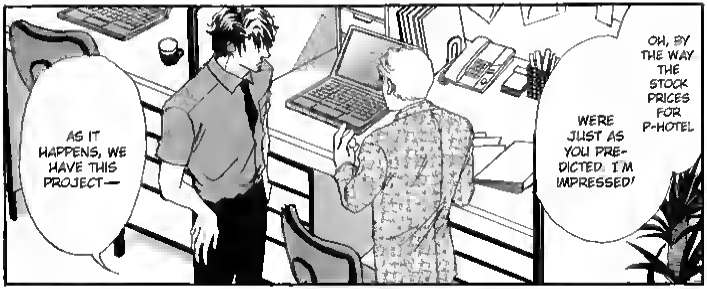
I DIDN'T EXPECT TO SEE YOU HERE MARS WEST!
IT'S BEEN A WHILE, GEORGE HAMILTON
THE NAME'S BROWN NOW
MR. HAMILTON, THE HEAD OF THE BUSINESS DEPARTMENT OF A FOUR-STAR HOTEL CHAIN?
SO, YOU'RE WILLING TO HIRE ME,
THAT'S MR. GEORGE HAMILTON TO YOU,
ESPECIALLY NOW THAT I'LL BE YOUR EMPLOYER FROM THIS DAY FORWARD

WHO WE WERE LOOKING FOR WAS A PROFESSIONAL BODYGUARD,
BUT NOW THAT I THINK ABOUT IT, IT'D BE QUITE ENTERTAINING TO HAVE YOU WORK UNDER US
KOWA
DON'T EXPECT TO GET A JOB OF POSITION
ALL THANKS TO YOUR WORK IN MANAGING TO STOP THE SALE OF THE WEST HOTEL.
I'VE BEEN DEMOTED TO THE HEAD OF THE BUSINESS DEPARTMENT
TO THINK SOMEONE LIKE YOU WOULD COME LOOKING TO THIS COMPANY FOR WORK IS OF GREAT INTEREST TO ME!

WELL, CONSIDER THIS YOUR FIRST TASK. GO AND BUY ME SOME LUNCH.
BUT SIR, WE SHOULDN'T ASK HIM TO...
clothe
I DON'T MIND.
WELL THEN, I LOOK FOWARD WORKING WITH YOU!
CLICK
HAH! TALK ABOUT COMING DOWN IN THIS WORLD!
MARS WEST, WHAT A LAUGH!
HA HA HA HA
smirks
I SEE THAT HE HASN'T CHANGED AT ALL.

THIS IS A TOP-RATE HOTEL CHAIN
NOISE
NOISE
I'M NOT GOING TO LET THIS OPPORTUNITY SLIP
I'M GOING TO CLIMB TO THE TOP,
SO WAIT FOR ME, BRONTE!

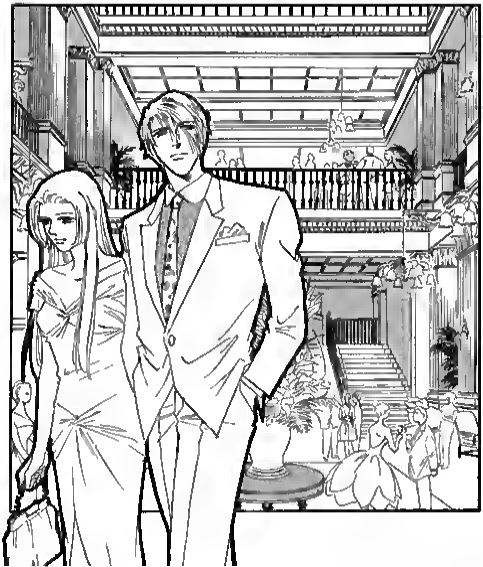
KINGS BAY HOTELS + RESORTS
GOOD MORNING, CHIEF.
MORNING.
MARS,
GO AND SHINE THE SHOES THAT I'LL BE WEARING TO TONIGHT'S
THERE HE GOES ASSIGNING YOU ODD-JOBS AGAIN...
I'VE GOTTEN USED TO IT

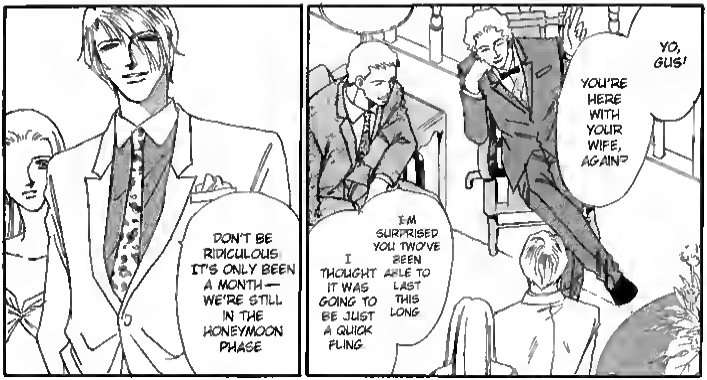

AS IT HAPPENS, WE HAVE THIS PROJECT—
WERE JUST AS YOU PREDICTED. I'M IMPRESSED!
OH, BY THE WAY THE STOCK PRICES FOR P-HOTEL

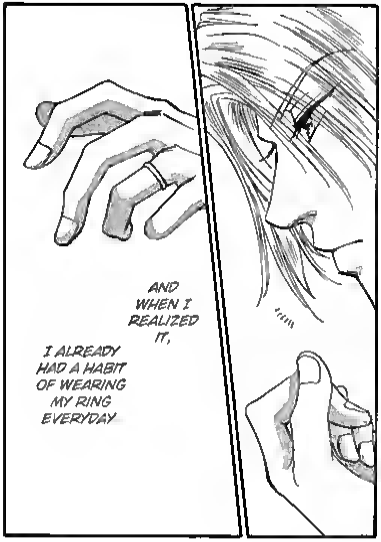
WELL, YOU'RE MUCH MORE RELIABLE THAN CHIEF, SO —
CHUCKLES
ISN'T THIS CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS INFORMATION?

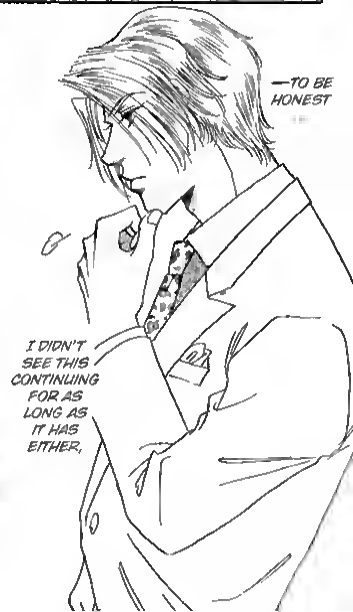
MAKE USE OF THIS OPPORTUNITY!
EVEN IF I'M JUST A LOWLY BODYGUARD, THE INFORMATION KEEPS POURING IN.
WELL, FOR THIS—

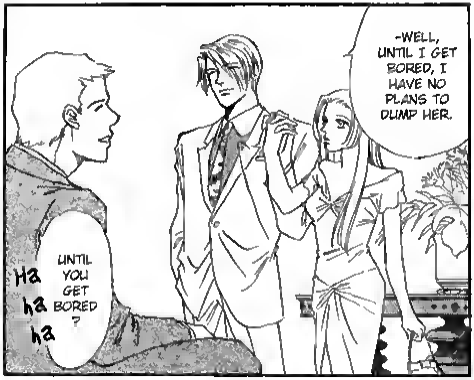
BUILD
YOUR
POWER
!

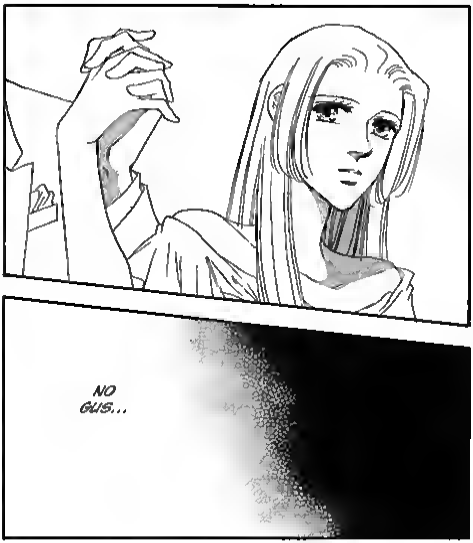



DON'T BE RIDICULOUS. IT'S ONLY BEEN A MONTH— WE'RE STILL IN THE HONEYMOON PHASE
I THOUGHT IT WAS GOING TO BE JUST A QUICK FLING.
I'M SURPRISED YOU TWO'VE BEEN ABLE TO LAST THIS LONG
YO, GUS! YOU'RE HERE WITH YOUR WIFE, AGAIN?


I ALREADY HAD A HABIT OF WEARING MY RING EVERYDAY
AND WHEN I REALIZED IT,

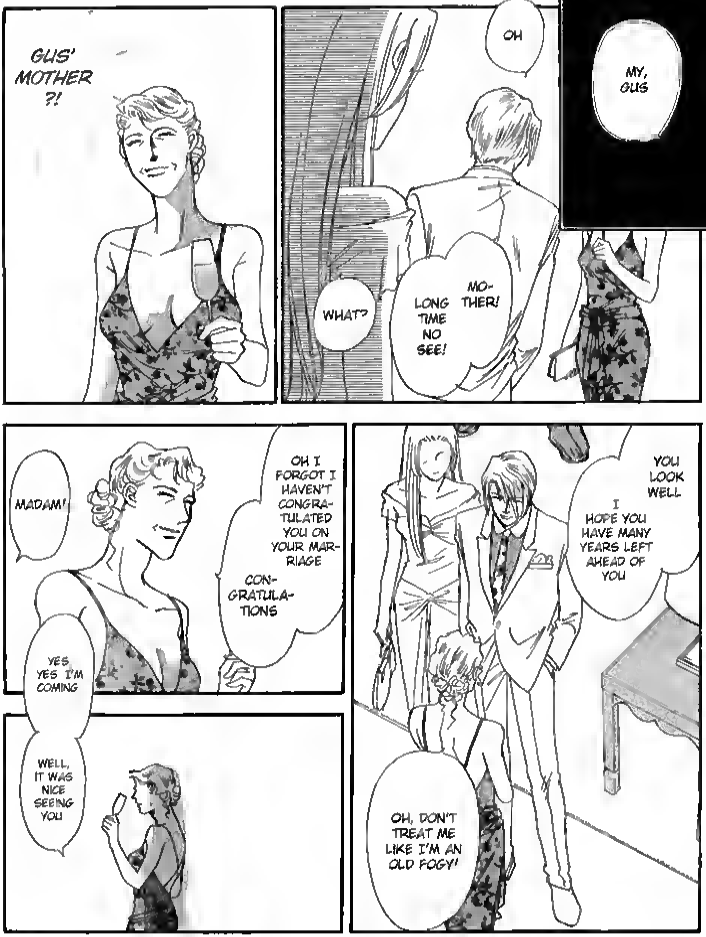

—TO BE HONEST
I DIDN'T SEE THIS CONTINUING FOR AS LONG AS IT HAS EITHER,


-WELL, UNTIL I GET BORED, I HAVE NO PLANS TO DUMP HER.
UNTIL YOU GET BORED ?
Ha ha ha


NO GUIS...

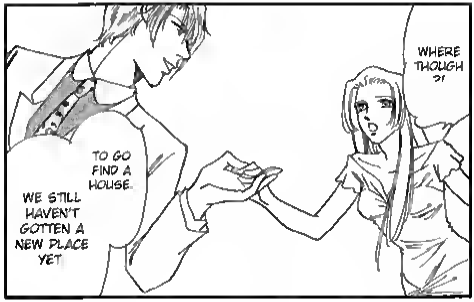
"WHAT IS IT ABOUT MARS THAT YOU DON'T LIKE?
HIS VERY PRESENCE!"
THAT EXPLOSIVE ANGER
AND PAIN—
THE OTHER DAY
A MARRIAGE BORN FROM SUCH ROOTS
SHOULDN'T LAST VERY LONG—FOR OUR SAKE

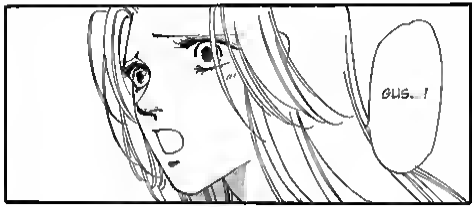
YOUR RING FINGER ON YOUR LEFT HAND
DOESN'T EXIST FOR SOMETHING LIKE THIS, DON'T YOU AGREE...?
NEVER-MIND
IT'S NO-THING
AH...
OH, I'M SORRY...
...?

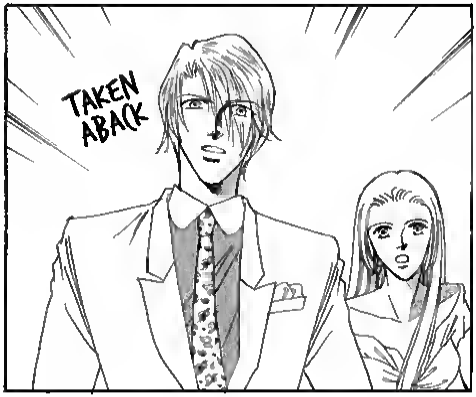

GUS' MOTHER ?!
OH
MY, GUS
WHAT?
LONG TIME NO SEE!
MO-THER!
MADAM!
OH I FORGOT I HAVEN'T CONGRA-TULATED YOU ON YOUR MAR-RIAGE
CON-GRATULA-TIONS
YES YES I'M COMING
WELL, IT WAS NICE SEEING YOU
YOU LOOK WELL.
I HOPE YOU HAVE MANY YEARS LEFT AHEAD OF YOU
OH, DON'T TREAT ME LIKE I'M AN OLD FOGY!

WELL... SHE TALKED ABOUT THE MARRIAGE SO NONCHALANTLY...
THIS IS THE MARRIAGE OF HER SON SHE WAS TALKING ABOUT HERE.
EH
...IS THAT ALL?
WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
...TO TALK ABOUT SOMETHING SO IMPORTANT SO NONCHALANTLY... YOU'RE QUITE THE STRANGE ONE AS WELL, YOU KNOW, GUS.
YOU THINK? SHE'S ALWAYS LIKE THIS THOUGH...
SHE LOVES ATTENDING PARTIES MORE THAN SHE DOES SPENDING TIME AT HOME
I'D BE SURPRISED IF SHE EVEN KNEW EXACTLY HOW OLD I WAS
CHUCKLES

DON'T YOU THINK THAT'S QUITE STRANGE AS WELL?
AND THEN YOU GO OFF AND FEEL PITY TOWARDS ME ALL ON YOUR OWN
I COULD SAY THE SAME FOR YOU! YOU GO OFF AND IMAGINE WHAT THE MOTHER-AND-SON RELATIONSHIP FOR US IS LIKE
I NEVER SAID I...
WELL, NO MATTER,
IT'S NOT SO BAD TO HAVE YOU DO THE WORRYING
IN PLACE OF MY MOTHER
—IT'S NOT SO BAD, NOT BAD AT ALL
PULL
LET'S GO!


WHERE THOUGH ?!
TO GO FIND A HOUSE.
WE STILL HAVEN'T GOTTEN A NEW PLACE YET.


GUS..!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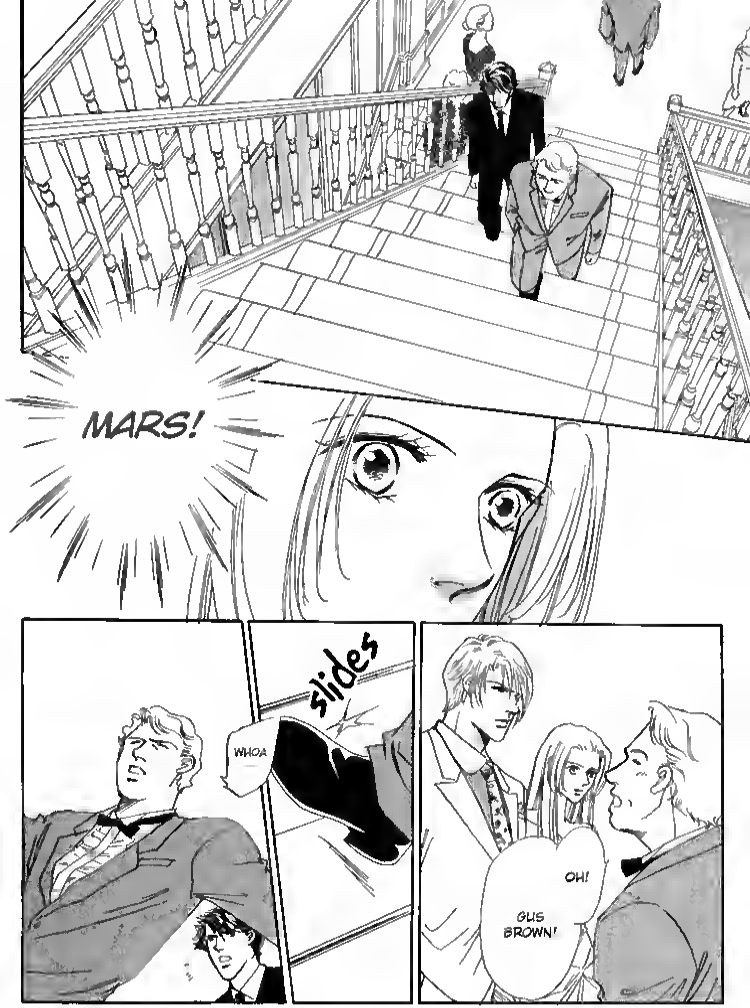
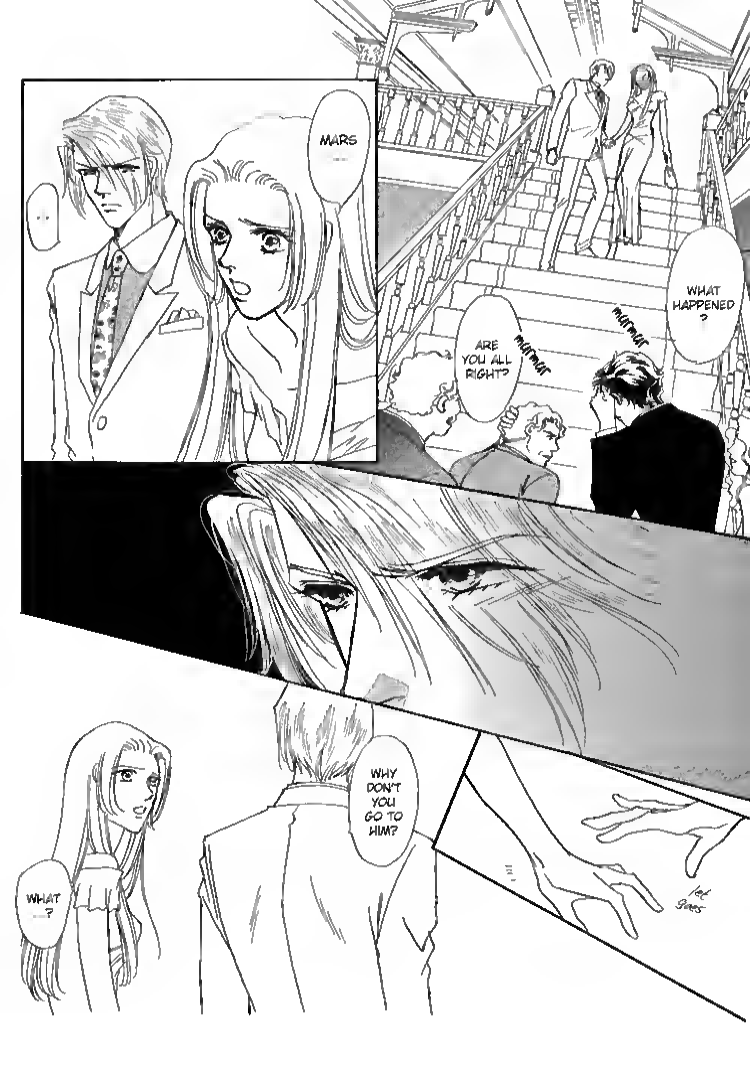

MARS!
slides
WHOA
OH!
GUS BROWN!

THUD
drip
MARS!


MARS
...
WHAT HAPPENED ?
MUMMUR
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?
MUMMUR
WHY DON'T YOU GO TO HIM?
WHAT ?
last scene

GO TO HIM
HE'S HURT— YOU'RE WORRIED ABOUT HIM, AREN'T YOU?
GUS .
HE'S THE MAN—
CLICK
WHOM YOU LOVE AFTER ALL, ISN'T HE?
...GO TO HIM!
GUS
HE HAS THAT SAME EXPRESSION ON HIS FACE AGAIN

SMIRKS
YOU'RE JUST THE SAME AS MY FATHER.
—HIS FATHER...?
YOU MEAN... YOURS AND MARS'...?

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